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Agents bust county drug rings

Sting nets 30 arrests

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Some 30 persons were arrested in a "sting" operation conducted in the area by a U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency Mobile Enforcement Team from New Orleans, with a major roundup Wednesday.

Wednesday's roundup included some 75 officers from the D.E.A., Hancock County Drug Task Force, sheriff's investigators and deputies, Bay St. Louis and Waveland investigators and officers, Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics officers, and U.S. Marshals.

The operation, which was not named, began with an assignment of five teams of officers at 5 a.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center. Two D.E.A. helicopters were also to be used in the roundup, but were not because of weather conditions.

Officers struck first in the Pearlinton area, seeking some nine persons, then moved to the Bay St. Louis and Waveland areas.

As teams made arrests, there were three vans used to transport subjects to the Civic Center, in addition to officers' vehicles.

Those who were arrested by Bay St. Louis, Waveland and sheriff's officers in fingerprinting and mug shots, the subjects were then transported to the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility.

The D.E.A. agents used laptop computers to do their processing.

During the undercover operation, which was requested some five months ago, D.E.A. agents were able to purchase a kilo of crack cocaine, which agents said had an estimated wholesale value of \$20,000.

Five persons were arrested by federal officers in connection with the kilo of cocaine and taken to a federal facility.

Hancock County Narcotics Task Force Director Shane Corr listed those:

—Randy L. Phillips, 39, 10178 Cameo St., Bay St. Louis;

—Darren B. Hughes, 37, 1960

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Confiscated loot

Hancock County Drug Task Force director Shane Corr checks loot confiscated from a Pearlinton residence which included \$5,933 in cash, one kilo of powder cocaine and guns after a drug sting Wednesday morning. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)



Fingerprinted

Waveland Assistant Police Chief Sandra (Sam) Henley, fingerprints Arthur Smith of Pearlinton Wednesday morning during a D.E.A. assisted drug roundup in the area. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

NTF raid leads to arrest

BY RICHARD MEEK

A raid by the Hancock County Narcotics Task Force resulted in the arrest of one Bay St. Louis man and the seizure of 23 pounds of marijuana.

NTF director Shane Corr said agents raided the home of Jose Manuel Ayala Maldonado, at 6400 D Lakeshore Road, shortly after 10 a.m. on Saturday and arrested him for possession of marijuana with intent to distribute. Corr said agents seized the marijuana, drug paraphernalia, and \$6,400 in cash. Corr said the agents were acting on a tip.

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Roundup

One of the persons arrested during a multi-agency operation is escorted by Hancock County Sheriff Office's Chief Administrative Officer Gerald Nicaise, at the Civic Center for processing Wednesday morning. Undercover agents were from the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency's Mobile Enforcement Team from New Orleans. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Cleanup of NASA sites to begin

BY ED LEPOMA
Funding has been secured, and cleanup of contaminated sites at NASA's Stennis Space Center could begin in early

1998. NASA's Environmental Office hosted information exchanges Tuesday to first brief its employees who work at the

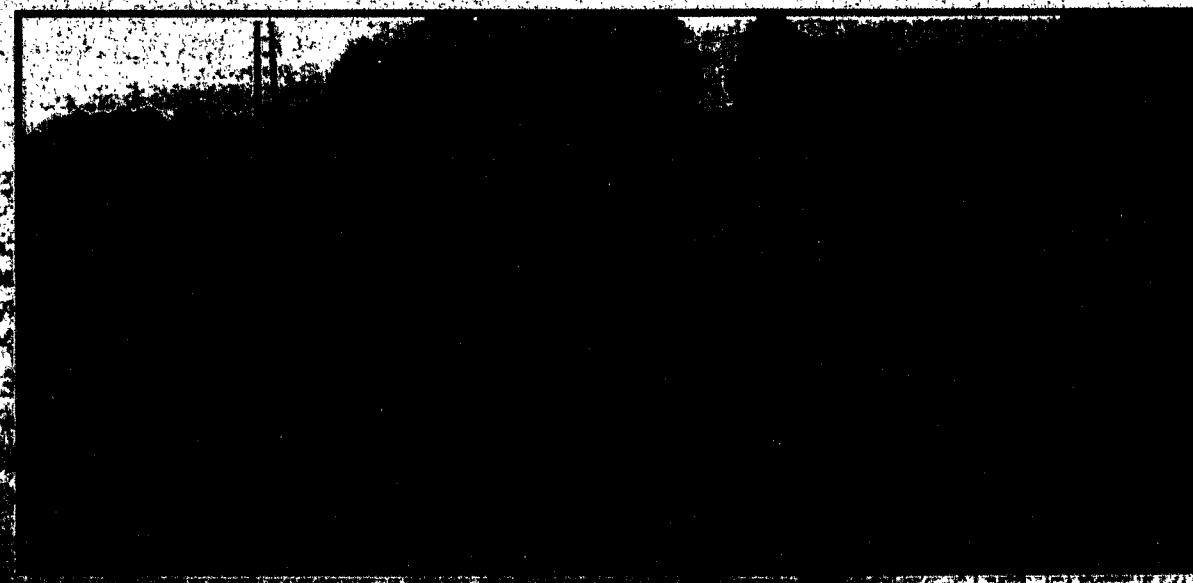
giant rocket testing center, and a night forum at the main Hancock County Library in Bay St. Louis that was open to the public. In both cases, only a

handful of the curious turned out, although the meetings were publicized in advance, staff sources said.

At the library, display

boards were set up to take onlookers through the testing process that began at 40 sites

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Bay sewer system repairs move forward

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Bay St. Louis city officials moved forward Tuesday on almost \$500,000 in sewer system repairs and extensions, and agreed to seek engineering work for patching up other faltering pipes.

The action came in a City Council meeting where one council member lambasted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for "folishness" in dealing with a collapsing sea wall re-

placement. After learning the Corps is looking to the city to repair the damages, Council member James Thriftley urged the city

to consider filing a federal lawsuit in the matter.

In another matter, council agreed—in a split vote—to seek local legislation that would allow a food and beverage tax to support the county Tourism Commission.

Action on the sewer system included agreement to advertise for bids on replacement of a key component of the system, Lift Station 1. Residents of Ramonada Street have complained of repeated instances of sewage overflow in their street ditches and yards.

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OBITUARY

CALVIN DAVENPORT SR.
HASKELL J. HOLCOMB
WEBER D. PARKER
MARY ANN SPENCER

Calvin Michael Davenport Sr., 84, of Pascagoula, died Friday, March 13, 1998, in Pascagoula.

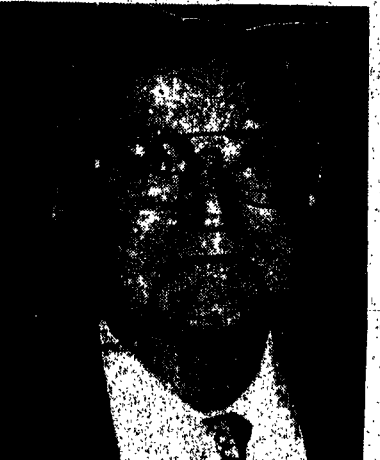
Mr. Davenport was born Dec. 31, 1913, in Hattiesburg and had been a resident of Pascagoula since 1946. He was a member of Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church in Pascagoula and was a retired welding instructor with Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula and the state of Mississippi.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mary Alice Doherty and Calvin C. Davenport; a granddaughter, Catherine Davenport; a brother, Joseph Davenport; and a sister, Edith Wells.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy E. Davenport of Pascagoula; five sons, Mickey Davenport of Vancleave, Bobby Davenport of Pascagoula, Billy Davenport of Houston, Texas, Steven Davenport of Jackson, Thomas Davenport of Bremington, Wash.; a daughter, Mrs. D. P. (Sissy) Shumate of Pascagoula; three sisters, Kathleen Davidson of Kenner, Rita C. Cimino of Metairie, and Alice Roshto of Columbia, S.C.; two brothers, Phillip Davenport of Bay St. Louis and George Davenport of Biloxi; 14 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday evening at O'Bryant-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Pascagoula. Services were conducted Tuesday at Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church in Pascagoula.

The family prefers memorials to Our Lady of Victories Building Fund.



HASKELL J. HOLCOMB
Haskell J. Holcomb, 85, of Pass Christian was born in Pisgah, Ala., Sept. 13, 1912. He was a resident of the Gulf Coast for 80 years.

Mr. Holcomb was a member of Christ United Methodist Church in Long Beach and was the retired owner of Holcomb's Gulf Service Station on Hwy. 90 and 24th Avenue, Gulfport. He was a U.S. Naval veteran of World War II serving on the USS Hornet. He was also a member of American Legion Post 77 and VFW Post 3734.

He was the husband of Joyce-Lyn (Peggy) Ortega Mercier Holcomb, the late Lavinta Smith Holcomb and the late Adele Holcomb; father of Joseph R.

Holcomb of Atlanta and Judy Blackstock of Long Beach; step-father of Phyllis Robinson of Long Beach, Diane Allen of Shreveport, Raymond Charles Ortega of Little Rock, Ark., and Michael A. Ortega of Jefferson City, Mo.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Davis and Prudence Holcomb; brother, Arville Holcomb; and sisters Ruby Bond and Opal Martin.

Survivors include a sister, Pearl Carroll of Ruak, Texas; and two brothers, Tom Holcomb of Poplarville, and Fred Holcomb of Long Beach; two grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday in the chapel of Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Haskell J. Holcomb, c/o Memorial Hospital at Gulfport Hospice, P.O. Box 1810, Gulfport, MS 39502.

WEBER D. PARKER

Weber Dale Parker, 62, of Pass Christian, died Wednesday, March 18, in Pass

Christian.

Mr. Parker was a native of Smith County and was an Air Force and U.S. Army veteran. He was retired from the oil field for the past 10 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Copel and Mary Ann Parker; and a sister, Bobbie Nell.

Survivors include sons Weber Dale Parker Jr., of Deming, N.M. and Jeff Parker of Pass Christian; brothers Calvin Ray Parker of Pass Christian and Donald Parker of Anchorage, Alaska; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be conducted today at 2 p.m. at Standard Sandhill Cemetery in Hancock County.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

MARY ANN SPENCER

Mary Ann French Spencer, 77, died Saturday, March 14, 1998 in Waveland.

Mrs. Spencer was a native of Hattiesburg. She was the daughter of Rosie Mayatt and William James French. She and

her late husband, Lt. Col. Roy J. Spencer Sr., moved to the Coast in 1966. She was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church and a former member of Our Lady of Fatima and St. James parishes. She was active in the DAV and VFW auxiliaries, the Gulfport Elks Club and various garden clubs.

She was preceded in death by all her brothers and sisters, Willie French, Jimmy French, Dicky French, Rosalie French, Katie McMurtry, Joe French, Charles French, Rita Agnes Hancock, Bobby French; and a daughter, Deborah Spencer Wilkerson McDonald.

Survivors include her children, Lt. Col. Roy James Spencer Jr. of Mequon, Wis., K. Michelle Spencer of West Southport, Maine; Capt. William Spencer of Boothbay Harbor, Maine and Marcia Ann Longo of Waveland; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A Funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday at St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland. Burial was in National Cemetery in Biloxi.

Miss Mississippi to host benefit

Former Miss Mississippi, celebrity models, fashions and objects d'art will be part of Myra's Angels, a benefit slated for 11:30 a.m. March 24 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in downtown Jackson.

The benefit, to be hosted by reigning Miss Mississippi Myra Barginear, will raise funds for the renovation of the outpatient clinic at Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

It will include lunch, a fashion show and a silent auction. Guest of honor will be Mississippi's First Lady, Pat Fordice.

The March 24 event will include a fashion show featuring former Miss Mississippi and celebrity models from Mississippi's political and business community modeling the latest in contemporary fashions and designs offered by Mississippi retail businesses.

The silent auction will offer a wide variety of objects, including signed books by Mississippi authors, the works of various regional artists, travel and accommodations and much more.

Tickets will be \$40 per person, with special packages designed for business and corporate purchase. Those wishing to

purchase tickets may call 601-557-1993.

The Mississippi Chapter of BellSouth Pioneers is working with Barginear to plan and conduct the event.

The Mississippi Chapter of the BellSouth Pioneers, formed in 1925, is made up of active and retired BellSouth employees who volunteer thousands of hours of community service each year.

These activities range from providing health and human services, environmental improvement, life enrichment and support of education.

Alzheimer program set

Most older people feel more secure with an arrangement where they are cared for by relatives who live with or near them. However, this is often a challenge for the families involved.

Taking care of a loved one is known to be the role of a caregiver. Sometimes the caregiver needs time out to get away from pressures and enjoy themselves without feeling guilty.

Joann Sicaia from Care Inc. will be the next Senior Lagniappe program guest speaker March 27, 1-2 p.m. in Clinic Two Room 303. She will discuss caring for the Alzheimer patient.

Learn how to take care of yourself so that you can continue doing the things that are priority in your life so you can care for your loved one. If you are currently taking care of an Alzheimer patient or know of someone, you'll want to attend this meeting.

NorthShore Regional Medical Center's Senior Lagniappe program is a special free membership program of the Tenet Louisiana Healthsystem Hospitals. It is designed to help older adults 50 or older better access to free community education seminars, discounted health awareness screenings, wellness programs and special amenities.

Empowered Woman

Empowered Woman

The Empowered Woman Conference will be held March 20 and 21 at Arlean Hall on the Seashore Methodist Campgrounds in Biloxi. The conference will start at 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 a.m.

Purpose will be to enlighten, encourage and strengthen the Christian woman of the 90's. The speakers, from different personal and denominational backgrounds, will cover current issues from the home, workplace and ministry.

Church dinner

First Missionary Baptist Church, corner Sycamore and Blaize streets, Bay St. Louis, will serve a dinner Friday, March 20, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. for \$4. The menu includes catfish, potato salad, green beans, bread and cake.

Everyone is welcome. For delivery, call 467-3193.

Our Lady of the Gulf Lenten schedules

The Way of the Cross will be each Friday at 5 p.m. during Lent.

Daily masses will be Monday-Friday at 7 a.m., 8:15 a.m., and 12:05 p.m.

There will be a Lenten dinner Friday, March 20, 5-7 p.m. in the OLG Parish Community Center. The menu consists of Crawfish Etoufee or Shrimp Fettuccine, Garlic Bread, and Bread Pudding with Rum and Walnut Sauce. Price per plate is \$5.50 for drinks and desserts.

spiced with a lot of fun.

Anyone interested in joining Senior Lagniappe, need information on seminars, or just have a great idea call Rosalinda Pendleton at 646-5637 for information.

Worship will be provided by Jan O'Kane, minister of music for the Vineyard Christian Fellowship in Hot Springs, Ark.

Cost for the two-day conference is \$20 and includes study notes and light refreshments. Pre-registering is preferred, but individuals may register at the door.

For information, call 228-832-0283 or 228-896-8916.

Blood Pressure

Retired Senior Volunteer Program sponsors free blood pressure testing on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 9-11 a.m. at the American Legion Post 77, on Coleman Avenue in Waveland.

Hancock Medical Center Women's Auxiliary (Pink Ladies) conducts free blood pressure testing at the hospital, 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays.

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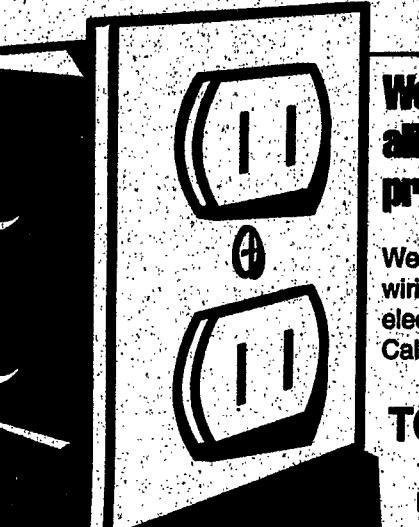
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Thoughts for meditation:
It is one thing to go through a crisis grandly, but another to go through every day glorifying God when there is no witness, no limelight, no one paying the remotest attention to us.

—Oswald Chambers
It is easier to see another person's deceit than your own.

—Arthur Dobrin
First take a plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

Matthew 7:5
Obedience belongs to us; results belong to God.

If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all His commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God.

Deuteronomy 28:2
A man that seeks truth and loves it must be precious to any human society.

—Frederick the Great
Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6

I will go down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

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West 64th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

—Keon D. Collins, 23, 2328 W. 78th St., Englewood, Calif.
—Finus M. Harris, 19, 1369 W. 85th St., Los Angeles, Calif. and
—Micha Y. Hubbard, 30, 920 Silver Creek Rd., and Crona, Calif.

Those five face federal charges of conspiracy to distribute a kilo of cocaine, Corr said. Another six were arrested earlier during the operation. Corr listed them as:

—Jamie J. Lewis, 21, #42 Pine Shadow Apts., Waveland, possession crack cocaine;
—Reginald Williams, 19, deMontluzin St., Bay St. Louis, possession crack cocaine;
—Kelly Ann Galloway, 19, 204-B Watts St., Bay St. Louis, possession crack cocaine;
—Starr Lynn Parsons, 26, 1413 Niagara St., Waveland, possession of marijuana; John Houston Cooley, 19, 1413 Niagara St., Waveland, possession of marijuana; and
—John R. Harris, 23, 602 Amar St., Waveland, possession of crack cocaine.

Four persons were arrested on Wednesday in connection with possession of one kilo of powdered cocaine, one Russian SKS 7.62 rifle, one nine millimeter semi-automatic pistol and numerous rounds of ammunition, Corr reported.

He said they were:
—Kristy Marie Penton, 19, 144-C deMontluzin Ave., Bay St. Louis, possession of kilo of

cocaine with intent to distribute;

—Jerome M. Vince, 23, 16057 7th St., Pearlington, possession of kilo of cocaine with intent to distribute;
—Kendall T. Sanders, 23, 16051 7th St., Pearlington, two counts sale of cocaine and possession with intent to distribute one kilo of cocaine; and
—Don K. Lee, Jr., 19, 16051 7th St., Pearlington, sale cocaine and possession of kilo of cocaine with intent to distribute.

Hancock County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson early Wednesday morning said, "When the residents of Pearlington requested the meeting held on Jan. 8, 1998, making complaints about drugs in their community, this investigation was well underway."

"We made a request to the D.E.A. and they furnished the undercover agents, money to make drug buys and they made the buys. Several of the subjects were considered to be medium size distributors," Peterson added.

A.D.E.A. agent said two of the purchases were made in the Diamondhead community.

The M.E.T. team, as it is known by the Drug Enforcement Agency, is very highly trained in undercover work and move to communities throughout the United States, Peterson said.

Peterson indicated this operation was more focused in the rural areas compared to other operations that were involved

mostly in the Bay-Waveland area.

Corr listed others arrested Wednesday as:
—Roderick D. Robertson, 28, 1303 Balcon Place, Apt. 25, Waveland, sale of crack cocaine;
—Arthur J. Smith, 21, 16170 10th St., Pearlington, sale of crack cocaine;

—Jamison L. Clendendo, 21, 5004 Jacksonville Circle, Pearlington, sale of LSD.

—Daniel G. Jones, 21, 402 Keller St., Bay St. Louis, sale of crack cocaine;

—Willie D. Lewis, 31, 610 Herlihy St., Waveland, sale of cocaine;

—Carlos A. Davis, 35, 2057 Waveland Ave., Apt 140, Waveland, sale of cocaine;

—Dedrick O. Jackson, 23, 6063 9th Ave., Pearlington, sale of cocaine;

—Ronald L. Thomas, 20, 503 Ulman St., Waveland, sale of cocaine;

—Lionel Lee, 25, 6067 4th Ave., Pearlington, two counts sale of crack cocaine;

—Ken E. Gyins, 32, 659 Sycamore St., Bay St. Louis, sale of cocaine;

—Juan M. Parkman, 17, 7454 Lobouy Road, DeLisle, sale of cocaine;

—Brad A. Boano, 21, 10076 Garfield St., Bay St. Louis, two counts sale of cocaine;

—Damion Parker, 20, 6062 9th Ave., Pearlington, two counts sale of cocaine;

—Devrinn T. Jones 21, 16035 Monroe St., Pearlington, sale of

cocaine; and
—David Buckridge, 137 Philip Drive, Waveland, sale of cocaine and one count possession of cocaine.

More arrests are to be made from the "sting" operation, Corr said.

"We felt that the 'sting' operation was well coordinated by all drug enforcement agencies involved. We feel like it will put a dent in the drug problem in the county, especially the Pearlington area," he said.

Corr indicated some \$11,500 was supplied by the federal government to make the purchases during this operation.

In addition to Corr, Hancock Drug task force agents Jeff Hair, Tommy Jennings and Mike Byrd assisted the D.E.A. during the entire operation.

"All the cases not handled by the federal officers will be handled by the task force agents," Corr said.

Sewer

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Recent city attempts to repair the lift station have failed, and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality has asked the city to take corrective action.

Tuesday, Mayor Eddie Favre said consulting engineers recommended several alternative actions, including complete replacement of the sewer lift station. Council agreed with that option, which carries an estimate of over \$367,000.

Favre said the project will relieve the Romenda Street pump station and provide additional storage capacity for a growing city population.

Meanwhile, Twin L. Construction Co. was awarded a \$109,000 bid to extend sewers on Oliver Road and Scianna Lane. In an earlier meeting, council member Carleen Moran, who represents that area, had questioned the wisdom of spending a great deal of money on a project that will serve only a few existing homes.

Favre said eight or nine homes will be served immediately. Officials expect new construction will bring the total number of homes on the streets to 16 or 17.

When the question came to a vote, council members Connie Lamley and Thrifley abstained, Moran, and council members Ted Black and James Rutherford voted in favor of the project.

The third sewer system item concerned "point repairs" that have been recommended for 27 locations in the city, as a result of video testing of the system. Council members agreed to seek engineering proposals to move the project to a bid stage.

But the real fireworks of the evening came in discussions of the Bay View Court seawall protection project, and Favre's proposal to seek enabling legislation for a new tax.

The mayor said there's little time left to have local legislation introduced this year, and it would be a mistake: to have to wait another full year to even consider imposing a food and beverage tax. Favre stressed that the action merely would allow the city, Waveland and Hancock County to debate the merit of such a tax.

"This doesn't commit us" to the tax, said Favre. Thrifley immediately vowed to fight any additional tax — particularly one which he said would hurt local citizens at area food and beverage establishments. "It all will be paid for by people who live here," said Thrifley. "I've got one vote, and I think you all know how it will go."

He also indicated the request for enabling legislation Council member Ted Black said he would be this time, "enact a tax that the local residents would not resist."

Still, he said, the measure at the legislative level could be debated by area leaders. The county Tourism Commission now receives the proceeds of a two percent tax on accommodations. If a food and beverage tax were approved, its proceeds would funnel to the

commission as well.

Thrifley objected that the issue should have been aired at council's Monday workshop, instead of added to Tuesday's agenda as a surprise. Favre said he only thought of bringing the matter before council after Monday night's meeting.

The other hot issue of the evening concerned the rapidly deteriorating revetment that the Corps of Engineers had constructed from Bay View Court northward to the edge of Casino Magic's property at the Bay Bridge.

The Corps designed the project as an interlocking set of concrete bricks which were supposed to keep the shoreline from further erosion.

The city agreed to be the local "sponsor" for that project, and put up some \$100,000 for it as a deposit. In addition, the city agreed to accept "maintenance" responsibility for the structure. City officials said the city was to get back all but some \$20,000 of the deposit, but hasn't received a check from the Corps to date.

Meanwhile, high winds and heavy storm tides in recent months have caused the structure to begin collapsing. City officials have turned to the Corps for help repeatedly, but there are conflicting signals from the Corps about who's responsible for what.

In February, city staffers said the Corps had funded a study to review the damages, and that the study recommended the Corps pick up the total tab for repairs.

One of Thrifley's constituents, however, who's losing property by the erosion, claimed he was told by the Corps recently the federal agency never had been asked to look into the matter.

That enraged Thrifley, who said the Corps also takes the position that Casino Magic refused an easement that would have allowed the project to extend to the bridge. Favre insisted this week that's simply an untrue portrayal of Casino Magic's position.

And Favre had more bad news for council on the issue. In a letter dated March 9, the chief of the Corps Operations Division in Mobile, William W. Fuller, said the Corps inspects such projects annually, to make sure that local sponsors who are responsible for maintenance and repairs are complying with their pledge to do so.

When an inspection in June 1997, the Corps found that the project was "functioning as designed," however, the property adjoining the northern end of the project is "significantly eroding." This erosion may deteriorate the Bay View Court project, which he said is "a major concern of the Corps."

City of Bay St. Louis will act according to secure that this project will continue to function as designed," Fuller wrote.

He said the Corps would help repair damage from Hurricane Danny — but he also asked for all

the semi-annual reports the city should have been submitting on the condition of the project.

Thrifley was clearly enraged. He asked that the city seek relief in federal court, but that suggestion got no immediate support.

Favre said that in essence, the Corps takes the position that the revetment "is functioning as designed," even as it collapses. "It's functioning as designed, but the northern part is eroding...It's working the way they designed it, but it's eroding."

Thrifley blasted the Corps for "audacity" in claiming the city hadn't asked for help, and in claiming that Casino Magic didn't want the project to run across its property.

"Whoever designed this must not have any idea of what goes on, on the Mississippi Gulf Coast," said Thrifley. He contends such a structure is appropriate for river beds, but not shorelines that face high winds and heavy tidal action.

"Somebody's got to be held accountable," Thrifley said, terming the situation one of the "goofiest" he's seen. "We can't have this kind of foolishness going on," he added.

In other business, council: -- Approved a special subdivision of some 18 acres of property between North Second Street and Felicite Street. Members of the Goldman family sought the subdivision to allow sale of a portion of it.

-- Set a special meeting for March 23 to consider applications for the position of clerk of council. Andrea Lee, who has held the position for several years, has resigned to accept a position in New Orleans. Council gave Ms. Lee a standing ovation for her work with Bay St. Louis, and held a farewell party for her after the council's meeting.

-- Heard a complaint from Harold "Willie" Gagney concerning disruption of Webb Street. Gagney said the street has been torn up and "repaired" by crews, but unsatisfactorily.

Council also discussed with Gagney his complaint about a horse stable that's been constructed near his residence. Gagney officially filed a complaint about the four ponies that are housed at the stable.

Favre said he and city attorney John Scaife would view the site today to see if it's within 300 feet of Gagney's residential structures. If so, under law the horse owner will have to remove the animals or ensure that they don't come within 300 feet of Gagney's property.

St. Vincent Thrift Store

St. Clara Conference Society of St. Vincent de Paul operates a Thrift Store, City Hall Annex, Coleman Avenue. It is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 until 3; and Saturday, 10 a.m. until noon. All proceeds benefit the needy regardless of race or religion. An information and referral service is available from 1:30 until 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday. For additional information, call 467-0703.

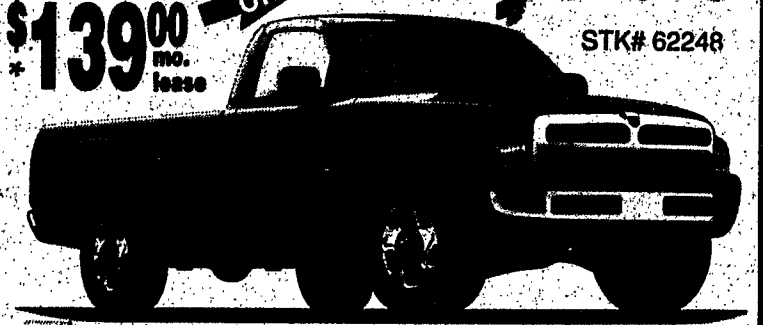
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"CUEVAS" QUOTES

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Today is St. Joseph's Day, and there are several special events in the area.

The annual Kay McCardle family's St. Joseph Altar, 410 South Central Avenue, Waveland, will have a blessing at 11 a.m.

The public is invited.

A special St. Joseph's Day celebration will be held at the Diamondhead St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 5303 Diamondhead Circle with a Holy Mass beginning at noon.

After the mass, refreshments will be served.

St. Joseph's Chapel, Dunbar Avenue, in the Cedar Point area of Bay St. Louis, will be open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for all wishing to honor St. Joseph.

As you can see, there are several St. Joseph activities in the area.

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce-sponsored procurement opportunities fair and seminar is taking place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Waveland Holiday Inn.

Admission is free, and the restaurant is available for lunch.

Among those making presentations will be Richard Speights, executive director of the Mississippi Contract Procurement Center, Inc.

The seminar will be addressing federal, state and local government opportunities; government contracting/subcontracting opportunities; government credit card program (Impac Card); electronic commerce/data interchange; funding sources for small businesses; and bonding.

Just about every federal, state and local government agency will be represented.

This will be a good time for local businesses to find out what it takes to do contract business with federal, state and local governments.

I heard Speights address the Bay Rotary Club, and there are many opportunities for businesses of all ages.



Smolensky honored

The Waveland Civic Association recently honored Waveland Alderman Louis Smolensky (l) with a plaque in appreciation of his 20 years of work with the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. Waveland Civic Association President Jay Fountain (r) presented the award to Smolensky at the organization's annual St. Patrick's Ball held earlier this month. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

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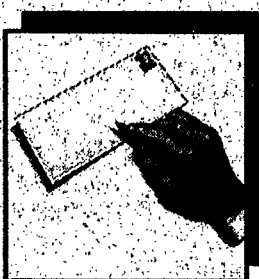
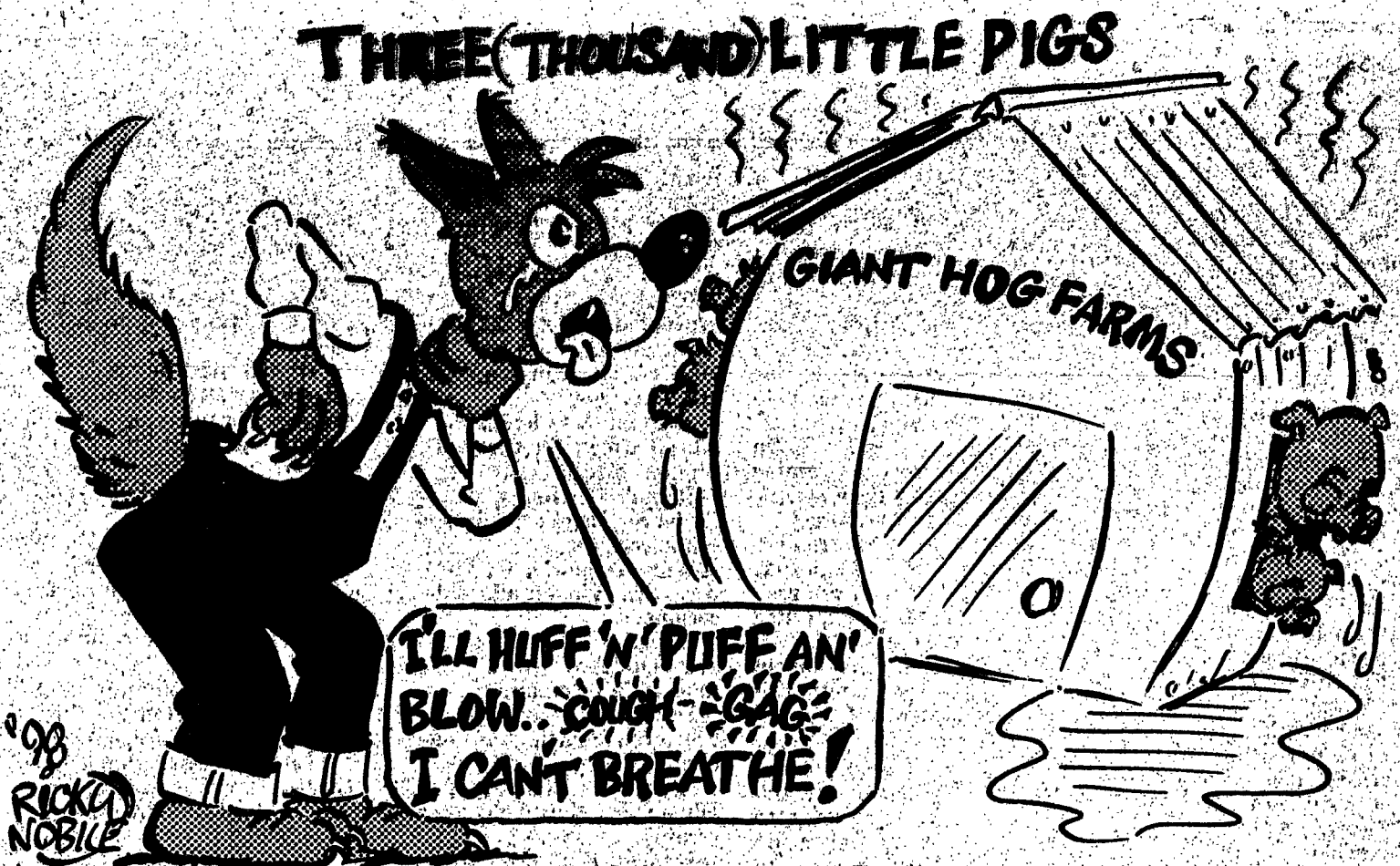
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Balanced Budget Act affects elderly, disabled

Dear Editor and Readers: I have recently received the following letter:

"South Mississippi Home Health has been currently providing home health services for you. A nurse has been visiting you to perform venipunctures that have been ordered by your physician.

"In addition, you may also be receiving the services of the home health aide as well as supplies, such as diapers and linen savers. The Medicare program has been paying for these services for you.

"As a result of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Medicare will no longer pay for these services. We realize that the elimination of these services will be very difficult for you.

In situations such as these, it is the policy of South Mississippi Home Health to notify all involved parties at least 24 hours prior to discharge.

"However, in this case, we felt it necessary to notify you now in order to make the transition as smooth as possible. Your nurse will be working with you and your physician to help identify other potential resources to help meet your needs.

"If you would like to voice your concern over the impact that this provision of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 has had on you personally, feel free to contact your Congressman.

"You may call the congressional switchboard at 202-225-3121 and leave a message for your congressman, or you may call the district office and leave the same message.

"Additionally, you may prefer to write your congressman, letting him know how this change is affecting you personally.

Attached is a list of Mississippi congressmen and their addresses. If you choose to write, please do so immediately. This issue will be coming up for discussion, and they need to know your concern."

This has worked a definite hardship on me and I wondered if it has done the same to other citizens of Hancock and Harrison counties. I am an elderly, disabled lady who feels alone and helpless, and is having great difficulty to these new "rules."

If you too are experiencing these programs, write the gentlemen whose names and addresses appear at the bottom as I have done.

Ethel Evans
Waveland

Mississippi Senators
Honorable Trent Lott, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510 or #1 Government Plaza, Suite 428, Gulfport, MS 39501

Honorable Thad Cochran, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510

Mississippi Representatives for areas covered by SMHH

Honorable Charles Pickering, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515

Honorable Gene Taylor, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515 or 2424 14th Street, Gulfport, MS 39501

Honorable Mike Parker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Bennie Thompson, House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515

Waveland resident complains about billing cycles

To the Editor:

Starting in December 1996, the following is the date of each month that City of Waveland Water and Gas has read the water and gas meters: Dec. 23, 28, 24, 25, 22, 22, 20, 24, 22, 24, 27, 19, 19, 23 and Feb. 23.

There is a minimum monthly charge of \$18.95 for water and \$9.50 for gas. One billing period was only 23 days, another 27 days. The most days in a billing period were 37, followed by 36 and 35 days.

I protested that it is not proper to have such extreme variations in the billing periods, since in the periods of fewer days I use less than the minimum quantity and have to pay the minimum charge; and in the periods of more days I use more than the minimum quantity and have to pay for the excess. I have been unable to get any satisfaction from the city office after several complaints.

Al Pepperman
Waveland

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste. Only one letter per writer per month will be published. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters.

Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the Letters to the Editor columns.

—Ellis C. Cuevas, publisher

VA clarifies rules for healthcare enrollment

In response to incorrect information distributed by others on the Internet, the Biloxi/Gulfport VA Medical Center, which includes outpatient clinics in Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla., is clarifying recent changes regarding veterans' eligibility for healthcare.

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is required by law to establish an enrollment system for healthcare services to be in place by Oct. 1, 1998. While veterans must be enrolled to receive care, it does not mean that veterans who have not applied for enrollment by that date will lose their eligibility for VA healthcare.

Veterans can apply and be enrolled at the time they are in need of VA healthcare. Veterans who have received VA healthcare services since Oct. 1, 1996 will have an application processed automatically on their behalf.

"Enrolling for VA healthcare services will provide improved access for Biloxi VA-area veterans to a comprehensive package of services," said Glen Struchtmeyer, acting director of the Biloxi VA Medical Center.

The Biloxi VA's primary service area includes the seven southernmost counties in Mississippi, four southern most counties in Alabama, and seven westernmost counties in the Panhandle of Florida.

Applicants will be placed in one of seven enrollment priority groups, specified by Congress. Based on the priority they are assigned, the number of other veterans requesting to be enrolled, and the funds available for VA healthcare, VA will determine how many veterans can be served. Veterans will be notified by mail, beginning in late spring, whether or not their application for enrollment has been accepted.

After Oct. 1, 1998, some veterans may still be treated without being enrolled. Veterans with service-connected disabilities may be treated for those disabilities, and veterans who were discharged or released from active duty for a disability incurred or aggravated while on active duty may be treated for that disability within the first 12 months after their

discharge.

Veterans who are classified as being service-disabled with a rating of 50 percent or greater will continue to be eligible for VA healthcare services without making application for enrollment.

While veterans in these categories do not have to be enrolled to be treated, they are encouraged to do so to help VA plan its services and allocate its resources.

Those who are enrolled will be eligible for inpatient and outpatient services, including preventive and primary care. Other services include: diagnosis and treatment; rehabilitation; mental health and substance abuse treatment; home health; respite and hospice care; and drugs and pharmaceuticals in conjunction with VA treatment.

Veterans accepted for enrollment will be eligible to receive care at any of VA's more than 1,100 service sites. While enrollment must be renewed every year, a veteran's enrollment will automatically be renewed unless he or she chooses not to re-enroll, or unless VA resources limit the number of veterans the department can cover.

Certain veterans will be asked to provide income information annually in order for VA to properly classify them within the enrollment system, as required by law.

To apply for enrollment, veterans should call: Ellen Salley, Biloxi VA Medical Center, at 228-385-4910 or 1-800-296-8872, ext. 4910; Velma Stringfellow, Mobile Outpatient Clinic, at 334-415-3933, or 1-888-201-0110, ext. 3933; or Deborah Hagy, Pensacola Outpatient Clinic at 850-476-6601, or 1-800-897-8977, ext. 6601.

Veterans and their families can also call Jeanie Demoruelle, Biloxi VA Customer Service Manager at 228-385-5783 or 1-800-296-8872, ext. 5783 for information, or visit VA's web site at <http://www.va.gov/health/elig>.

(Submitted by Edwin (Tinker) Cassell, Office of Public Affairs/Congressional Liaison, Department of Veterans Affairs, Biloxi)

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IN AND AROUND DIAMONDHEAD

By Margaret Williamson

On Wednesday, April 1, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Diamondhead will shine as it participates in the 51st annual Mississippi Gulf Coast Garden Club's Pil-

grimage, which covers the Coast from Waveland to Pascagoula March 26-April 4. You are invited to start the tour of three gardens and six

homes at the Diamondhead Community Center where you'll receive brochures and maps and be able to view the Diamondhead Garden Club members' annual flower show.

The talents of the club's members are showcased as they create their lovely masterpieces in flowers. There's always an interesting and varied horticultural exhibit.

Diamondhead Academy will be featured as their Nature Trail, a project the whole school has participated in, is one of the three gardens. A real authentic log home, called The Viking, which displays many natural woods inside as well, will be one of the six homes.

Diamondhead's beautiful blossoming trees and all the flowers in bloom say welcome.

DON'T FORGET

Friday, March 20 at 6 p.m. at the Community Center, the Diamondhead Baptist Church Child Development Center (CDC) is having a fund-raiser spaghetti supper for \$8 per adult and \$4 for children under 5.

Tickets may be purchased at Diamondhead Discount Drugs, Rain Forest Pets, both in the Shopping Plaza, and at the door.

The highlight of the evening will be a performance by internationally recognized guitar artist Giovanni DeChiaro.

Eva Jenkins, the center's new director, hopes for a good attendance, since all proceeds go towards the improvement of the existing playground and nearby woods area for an outdoor learning environment and new playground equipment.

The CDC is a valuable asset to the community and our young families as is the Little School at the Community Church. They both need all our support.

Diamondhead on parade

Brain injury support group

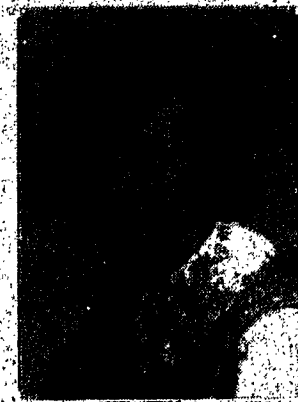
Memorial Hospital at Gulfport will sponsor a special meeting of the Brain Injury Support Group today at 6 p.m. in the private dining room at the hospital.

The topic will be Cognitive Retraining. When memory, attention, concentration and problem solving are a few of the things affected by brain injury, what do you do? What will help?

Mimi Rhodes, MS, CCC/SLP will address the subject.

For information, contact Debbie Mykolyk at 865-3059.

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Shawn, & Renette

Scouts visit ship

Diamondhead Cub Scouts Pack 20 spent the night of Jan. 23 living aboard the Battleship USS Alabama in Mobile.

Led by Cubmaster Richard Swanson Jr., the pack members learned something about what it was like to serve from the North Atlantic to the South Pacific aboard a "battleship" in World War II.

The pack also explored the Submarine USS Drum, which ranked eighth among all U.S. Navy subs for the amount of enemy shipping tonnage she sank.

Those group members interested in aviation saw more than 20 airplanes from World War II, the Korean and Vietnam conflicts and Desert Storm. Several of these historic aircraft are housed in the indoor Aircraft Pavilion dedicated to the 29 Medal of Honor recipients from Alabama.

Included among the prop and jet fighters are a giant B-52 bomber, an A-12 "Blackbird" supersecret spyplane, capable of flying over three times the speed of sound, and a P-51-D "Tuskegee Airmen" Mustang.

There also was an abundance of Army and Marine Corps tanks, artillery, and combat vehicles located in the 100-acre bayside Battleship Memorial Park.

The trip has enabled pack members to better understand and appreciate the contributions made by military personnel in times of conflict when America's basic values of liberty and freedom were threatened by foreigners.

USS Alabama Battleship Memorial Park is dedicated to Alabamians who served in all branches of the military and is an independent agency of the State of Alabama.



Scouts aboard USS Alabama

Diamondhead Cub Scout Pack 20, pictured aboard the USS Alabama before "lights-out" are, top row from left, Jackson Gilmore, Mario Martinez, Christopher Maloche, Mark Hussey, Brad Reinhardt; bottom row, Reed Gilmore, Weston Soignier, Ian Larsen and Trey Swanson. Not pictured are William Morrison and Connor Smith.

PRCC president released from Wesley Medical Center

Pearl River Community College President Ted Alexander was home Monday after spending another two weeks in a Hattiesburg hospital.

Alexander, 61, was admitted to the Wesley Medical Center March 3 with complications from injuries sustained in a one-car accident Feb. 4 on Hwy. 26 near the Poplarville campus. It was Alexander's third trip to the hospital since the accident.

"Dr. Alexander had a huge mass of fluid and infection build up in the pleural spaces around his lungs," said Larry Stanford, PRCC spokesperson. "His elevated temperature over an extended period of time was a concern. It took the drainage tubes inserted through his back several days to remove the fluid."

The Pearl River College president suffered two broken ribs, a punctured lung, cuts and lacerations when his wife swerved to avoid a deer and slammed into an oak tree Feb. 4. Barbara Alexander suffered minor bruises.

Alexander was listed in good condition when first hospitalized but was later moved to intensive care for three days with internal bleeding that led to hemorrhagic shock. He was first released home Feb. 12, readmitted early Feb. 18 with complications, and released again late Feb. 20.

"Dr. Alexander is spending a little time each day in his office," said Stanford. "Obviously the setbacks and complications have delayed his full recovery."

ETV's Festival '98 ends with a bang

From old favorites to some new surprises, ETV's Festival '98 presents a line-up you don't want to miss during The Best of Festival '98, Sunday, March 22 beginning at noon.

(*Note: "CC" denotes the program is presented in Closed Caption; "S" denotes the program is presented in Stereo).

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Noon: Wall Street Week (CC) (S)

12:30 p.m. Washington Week in Review

1 p.m. Klondike & Snow: A tale of twin polar bears (CC)

A rare and intimate look at the first year in the life of two baby polar bears.

2 p.m. Michael Crawford in Concert (S)

Performer Michael Crawford, who originated the title role in Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical "Phantom of the Opera," stars in his first television special, taped at the Corritos Performing Arts Center.

3:30 p.m. Glenn Miller: America's Musical Hero (S)

This documentary tribute celebrates the Glenn Miller phenomenon, including extensive performance footage and numerous file vignettes.

5 p.m. Yanni Tribute: In concert at the Taj Mahal and the Forbidden City (S)

This landmark concert special captures Yanni performing against the stunning backdrops of India's Taj Mahal and China's Forbidden City.

7 p.m. Monty Roberts: A Real Horse Whisperer

The extraordinary documentary of a man much in the news these days. Based on Roberts' autobiography, *The Man Who Listens to Horses*.

8 p.m. Mississippi Memories "Jackson" (S) (V) (CC)

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9 p.m. Riverdance Live from New York City (S)

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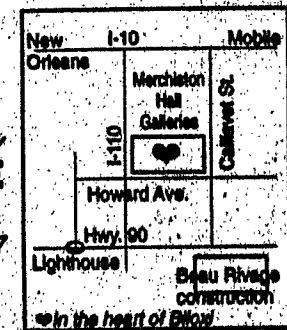
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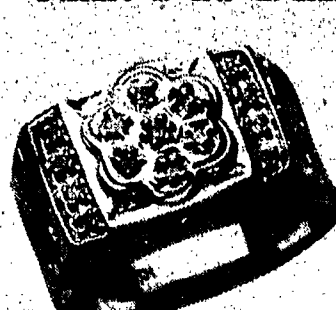
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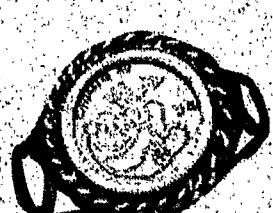
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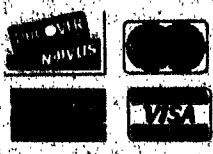
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BUSINESS NEWS

Creative efforts recongized by Coast advertising group

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Ad Federation presented its 1997 American Advertising Awards for advertising creative excellence Feb. 27 at Treasure Bay Resort.

The annual dinner and awards presentation was attended by more than 215 individuals of the local advertising/media business along with advertising students. Ronny Broussard served as emcee.

Of the 321 entries received, 41 Addy Awards and 58 citations were presented. Entries were judged based on creativity, originality and creative

strategy.

Top awards were: Student Best of Show: Ruben Channell Alvarez for No Yesterdays.

Judges Choice Award: PowerLines Advertising and Design for its A Business Miracle done for PowerLines Advertising and Design. Credits go to Allen Jenkins, art director and copywriter.

Judges Choice Award: Grand Image Advertising for its Hilarious Logo done for Grand Casinos. Credits go to Carter Hooper, graphic designer.

Radio Best of Class: Spon-

sored by President Casino Broadwater Resort, to Guice & Guice Advertising Agency, Inc. for its CheckCard, done for Hancock Bank. Credits to Tim Hope, creative director; Lee Gipson, copywriter, Studio Center Production.

Television Best of Class: Sponsored by Isle of Capri Crowne Plaza Resort to Mississippi Power for its "Who do you want to be? Electrical Engineer," done for Mississippi Power. Credits to Katie Savage, producer; Chadd Shuttleworth, director/editor.

Print Best of Class: Sponsored by DDLK Color Separation & Pre-press, to Laura Tolar Design for its Bruce B. Tolar Architect, done for Bruce B. Tolar Architect. Credits to Laura Tolar, art director.

Copywriter of the Year: Sponsored by The Sun Herald, to Lee Gipson for CheckCard done for Hancock Bank.

Art Director of the Year: Sponsored by the Ad Group, to Laura Tolar for its Bruce B. Tolar Architect, done for Bruce B. Tolar Architect.

Best of Show: Sponsored by Boomtown Casino, to Laura Tolar Design for its Bruce B. Tolar Architect, done for Bruce B. Tolar Architect. Credits to Laura Tolar, art director.

Ad Federation Volunteer of the Year: Awarded to Christie Fountain, Blossman Gas and chairman of the 1997 Addys.

Shirley Guice Silver Medal Award: Awarded to Debbie Turner, executive vice president of Guice & Guice Advertising, Inc.

Business group meets Friday

John B. Roth, special agent to the NASA director, will be guest speaker at the March general meeting of the Diamondhead Business & Professional Association (DB&PA) which will meet at 8 a.m. Friday, March 20 at Park Ten Lanes Bowling Alley in Diamondhead.

Roth was appointed special agent in August, 1988 to provide management assistance in the total operations of the John C. Stennis Space Center with

special emphasis on resident agency activities, including joint programs.

The 20-year Navy veteran earned his bachelor of business administration from Tulane University and his master of science in logistics management from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. Roth and his wife Kistie reside in Pass Christian.

DBPA Business after Hours and open house will be April 3,

3-7 p.m. at Dictograph/Alarm Plus and Brenda's Secretarial Services at 4395 Leisure Time Drive in Diamondhead.

For information on membership, contact Jon W. Ritten at 255-9188.

Chamber, Port & Harbor sponsoring seminar

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce and the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, along with the Mississippi Contract Procurement Center will be presenting a procurement opportunities fair and seminar Thursday, March 19, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Waveland Holiday Inn.

Admission is free. Those attending will learn about federal, state and local government contracting opportuni-

ties, government credit card program (Impac Card), electronic commerce/data interchange, funding sources for small businesses and bonding.

More than a dozen governmental agencies will be present to talk about potential business opportunities with them.

Contact the Mississippi Contract Procurement Center at 396-1288 to register. Seating is limited.

IRS offers Saturday hours for taxpayer assistance

The Internal Revenue Service is offering walk-in service every Saturday through April 11. The IRS office at 15521 Oak Lane, Gulfport, will be open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Taxpayers will be able to pick up forms and publications, get answers to account and tax law questions, receive verification of their individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), and make payments. In addition, the IRS will help prepare returns for low income, elderly and Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)-eligible taxpayers.

"Many people will find it more convenient to visit the IRS on a Saturday to get the help they need, rather than trying to fit into their busy weekday schedules," said IRS Commissioner Charles O. Rossotti.

For many of these services, taxpayers do not have to visit the IRS at all. Most products

and services the IRS offers are available through other means.

For example, taxpayers with tax law or account questions can call the IRS toll-free help line 1-800-829-1040 from 7-11 a.m. Monday through Saturday. Free forms and publications are available through a toll-free order line at 1-800-829-3676, on the IRS website at www.irs.ustreas.gov, and through TaxFax at 703-368-9694.

Taxpayers may receive return preparation assistance from IRS's local Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs.

For information on VITA sites, contact Diane Wopat at (228) 831-3300 and for TCE locations, contact Joe Pohl with AARP at (601) 335-3167 or 1-800-338-3167.

Computer trouble shooting workshop scheduled at USM

The University of Southern Mississippi Small Business Development Center is offering a computer workshop, "Trouble shooting in Windows 95" Saturday, March 28, 9 a.m.-noon at the USM Small Business Development Center Computer Resource Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach.

The hands-on workshop teaches how to trouble shoot and correct problems in Windows 95. The instructor will be Ray Carriere of Global Systems Specialists.

Co-sponsors include: Mississippi Coast Chamber of Commerce, Gulf Coast Business Technology Center, Greater Bi-

loxy Economic Development Foundation, Gulf Coast Business Services Corporation and the Mississippi Contract Procurement Center.

Fee is \$69 and must be paid in advance due to limited seating. To pre-register, mail (before March 21) check made payable to USM SBDC to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

For information, contact the USM Small Business Development Center at 228-838-4578.

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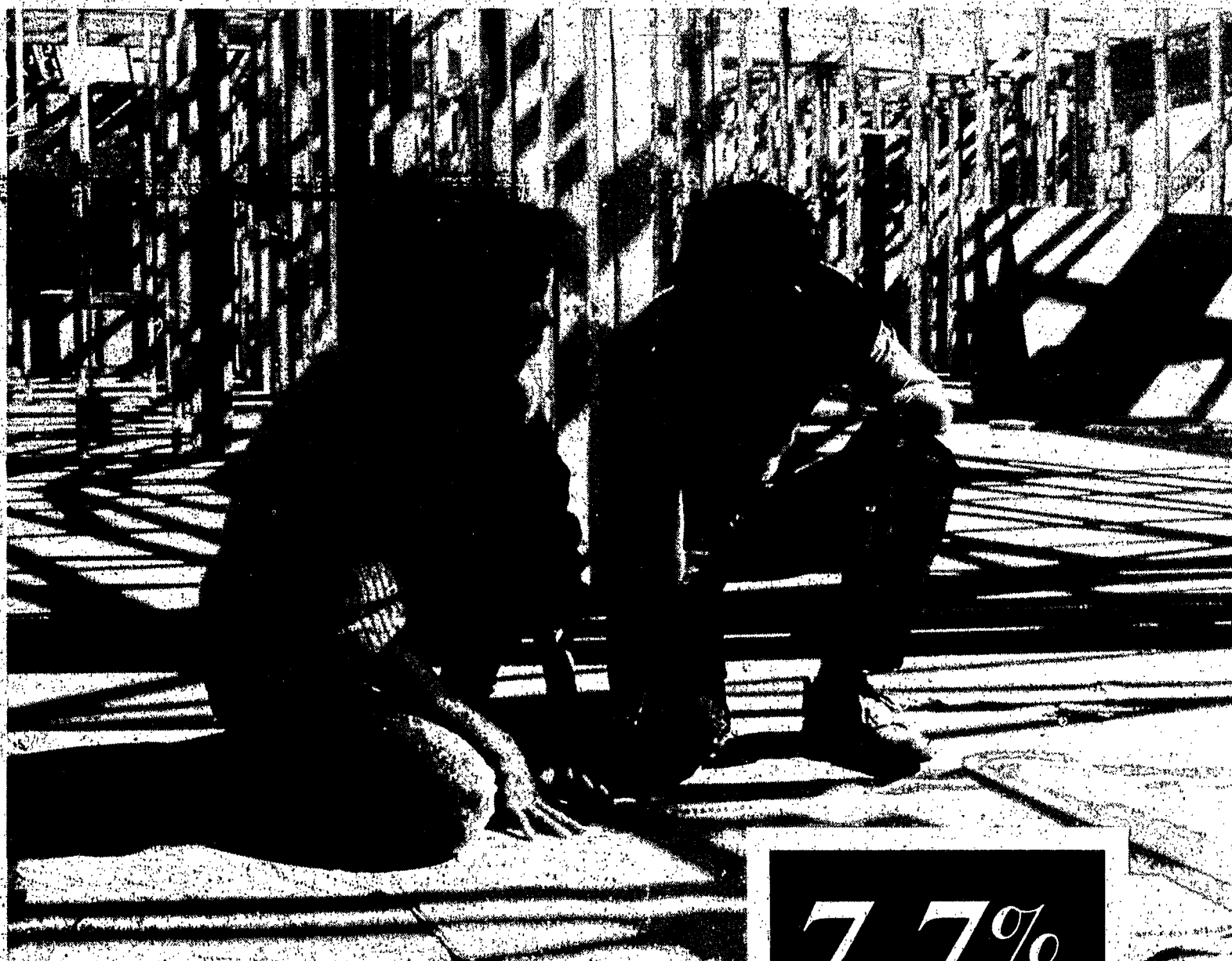
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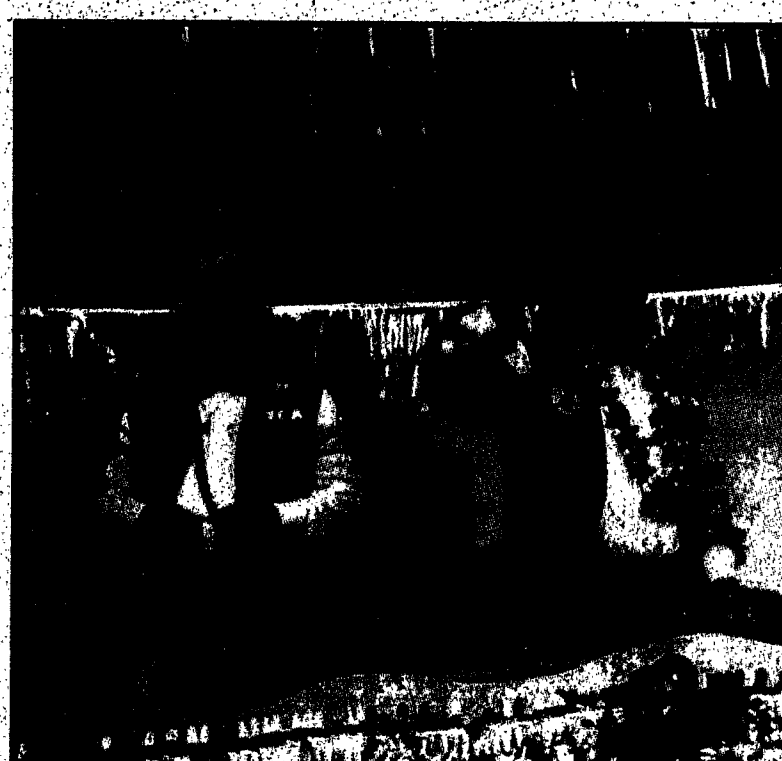
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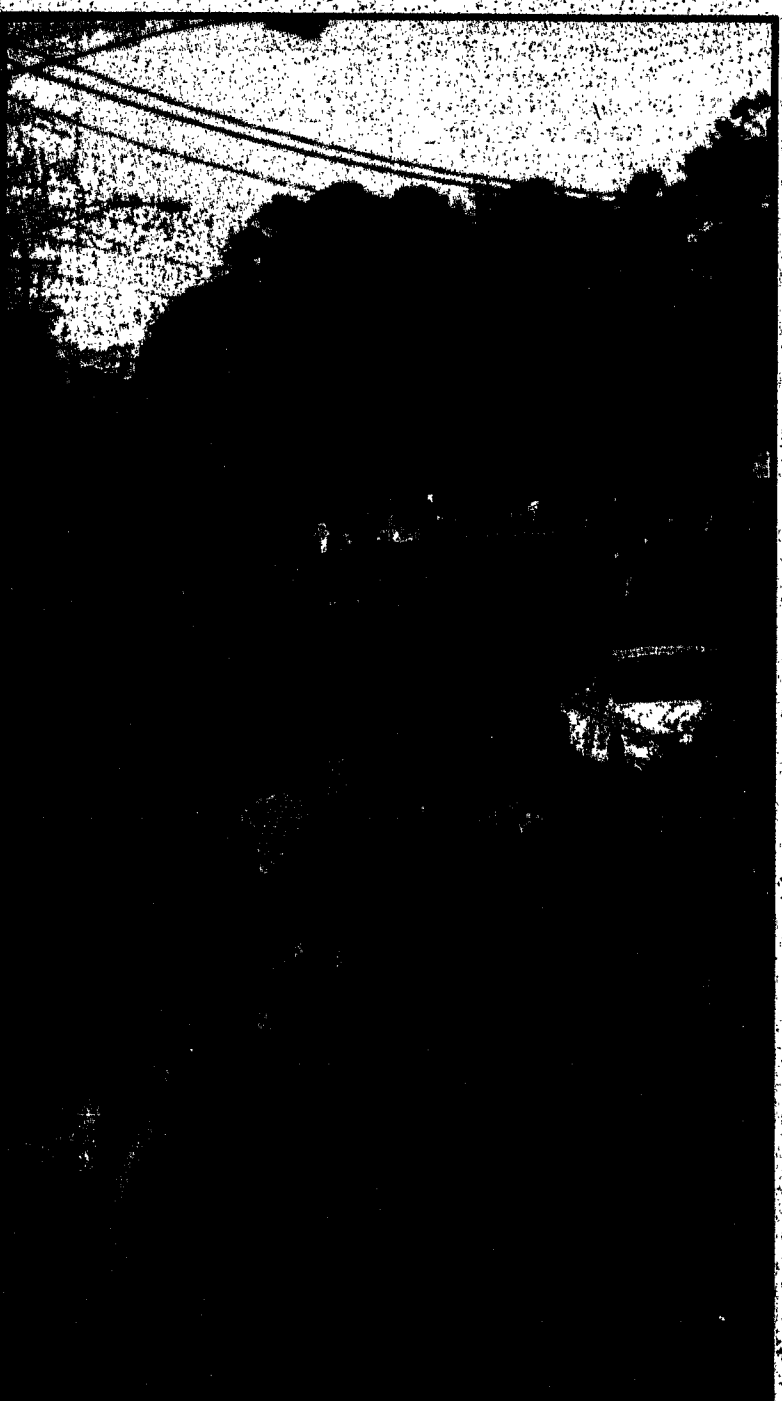
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WCA celebrates St. Patrick's Day



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SPORTS

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Magic to host championship boxing

Banner Promotions President Art Pelullo, in association with Casino Magic has announced a program of championship professional boxing Tuesday, March 31 at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis to be televised on USA Network's Tuesday Night Fights.

Main event is a 12-round NABF Super Welterweight title between champion Tony Marshall (27-7-6, 10 KOs) of Albany, NY, rated WBC No. 5, WBA No. 5 and challenger Anthony Jones (38-7-2, 26 KOs) Detroit, Mich., rated WBC No. 16.

The main event features two veteran fighters who are at the top of their games. Both have gi-

ven career-best performances in their most recent fights.

Casino Magic has been a winning location for Tony Marshall. His last two fights have been there, and the strength of his performances have earned him the North American Boxing Federation title and skyrocketed him into the top-10 of the world ratings.

Last Sept. 30, he won the NABF title with a decisive 12-round unanimous decision against defending champion Steve Martinez, and on Jan. 6 he defeated New Orleans prospect Orin Osbey by eight-round TKO.

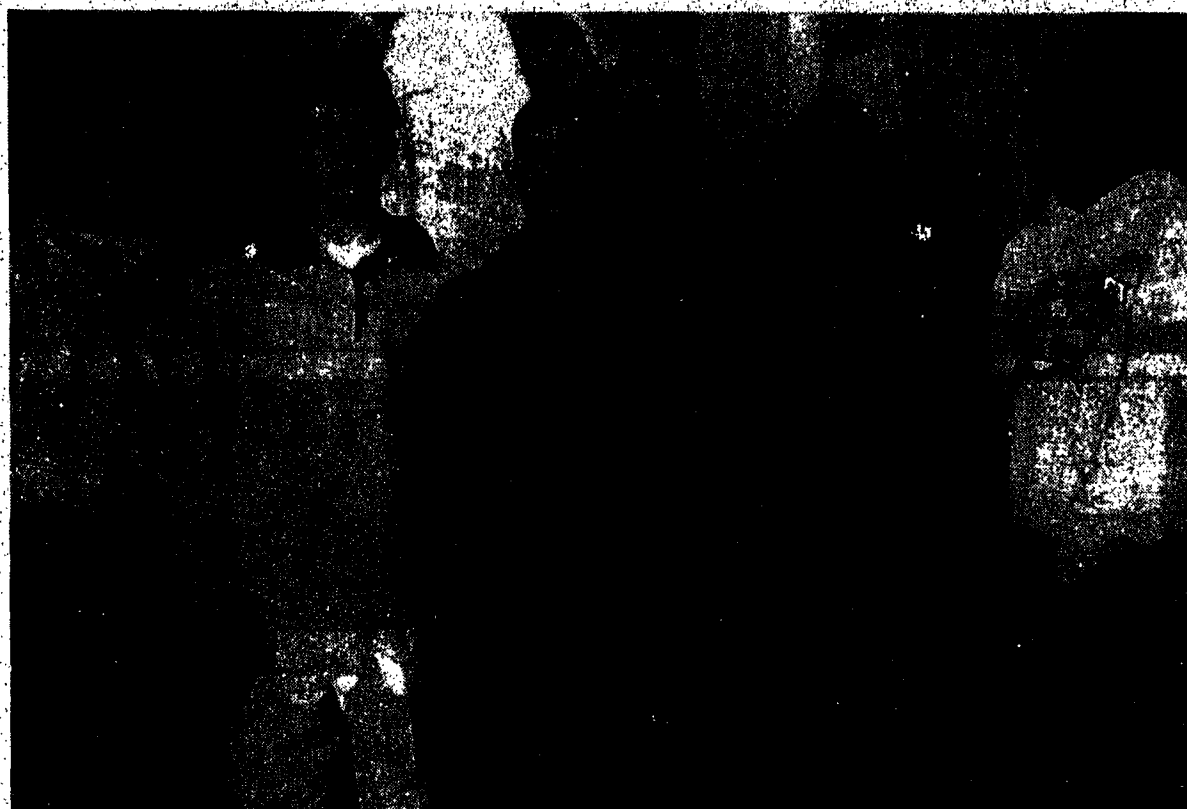
Anthony Jones, in his last fight Feb. 10 in Baton Rouge, scored a first-round knockout

against previously undefeated rising young star Alex Bunema, who entered the ring that night with a record of 13-0, 10 KOs.

Last Oct. 7, Jones scored a ninth-round knockdown and fought to a 10-round draw against former two-time world title challenger Oba Carr in Auburn Hills, Mich.

An undercard of preliminary bouts is being planned, including the final round of the USA/FBA women's tournament. Lineup subject to change.

Ticket prices: \$30 ringside, \$20, \$10 available at all Ticket-Master outlets and at the Casino Magic Gift Shop. Order by phone with a credit card by dialing 1-800-5-MAGIC-5, ext. 4535.



Conference basketball

The St. Stanislaus 8th grade basketball team finished third in the Gulf Coast conference this season under the direction of Coach Stan Dellenger. Sean Benoit was voted All-Gulf Coast Conference Defensive Player. Brian Butler, Taylor Butcherworth, Jeremy Richardson and Clay Wilfert were named to the All-Conference Team. Pictured, from left, are Wilfert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wilfert of Lake Charles, La.; Butcherworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Butcherworth of Pass Christian; Benoit, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Benoit of Pass Christian; Butler, son of Mrs. Ezell Butler of Bay St. Louis; and Richardson, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson of Baton Rouge.

Stokes wins Late Model opener

Although the temperature was on the cool side for the opening race of the season, the action was hot and fast. With over eight cars on hand, including 17 top Late Models, fans were treated to an outstanding program of racing.

All heat race starting positions were done by draw, with feature race lineups determined by finishing order of heat races.

Johnny Stokes of Columbus and Nathan Bynum of Laurel won heats, placing them on the front row for the feature. Bynum claimed the lead coming out of turn two over James Dean of Chunky and Stokes. A spin in turn four resulted in a three-car pileup sending a couple of the cars to the pits. On the restart Stokes moved past Dean and Bynum to take over the lead for the remainder of the race.

Dean got out of shape allowing several cars to move past,

including Robby Starns and Billy Joe Schonewitz.

Dean managed to move past Bynum but was unable to move up any further as the checkers flew with Starns, Schonewitz, Dean and Bynum chasing Stokes to the finish line.

The first feature of the night saw Bubba Trotter and Ryan Ladner lead a large field of Street Stocks to the green flag. Steve Marsh moved quickly from his second row starting position into the lead as he showed the way to the checkers. This was Marsh's first feature win although he had several strong finishes last season.

Ladner held on to the second spot over Trotter and Jody Holley. Rodney Barber, last season's most consistent winner, finished in the fifth spot.

Pro Stock heat winners Rodney Bruce and Todd Pearson shared front row starting positions with Bruce taking a flag to flag feature win. Several cars

tangled on the front straight in the early going sending several participants to the pits for the night including Pearson.

Randy Eaton moved into the second spot followed by Manguel Clauso and Steve Pate Sr. Although 17 cars started the feature, only seven came across the finish line.

Tim Rutledge and Shane Sheffield headed a 22-car field of IMCA's for the feature race. Mark Herbert claimed the early lead before Rutledge managed to move past taking the lead for the remainder of the race.

Chuckie Smith did an outstanding job as he moved from the fourth row starting spot into a second place finish. Herbert held off Woody Shivers and Kalif Seller for a third place finish.

Michael Beech won the Rookie feature, while Tim Syndow finished first in the heat.



Seniors honored

Before a recent soccer game against Hancock High School, St. Stanislaus recognized its senior A-Chaw soccer players for their achievements while at St. Stanislaus. With a state number one ranked Clinton High School, St. Stanislaus finished the season with an 11-1 record in Class I, Division 8. Not only were the seniors a significant part of the SSC soccer program, but they also were key in the two consecutive state championship soccer titles in 1996 and 1997. Seniors are Chris Davis, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Davis III of Gulfport, Miss.; and Mrs. Larry Gagnon of Bay St. Louis; Kile Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Foster of Bay St. Louis; head coach Andy Kivlan; A. J. Pace, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker of Bay St. Louis; and Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Michel Jr. of Kingwood, Texas; and J. Lynn Saucier of Diamondhead.

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BAYS

The U-1 girls teams will be in action at the Day of Soccer. In the tournament, Brats took a losing to the finals. The U-1 earned second place.

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The Mississippi Wildlife Federation has scheduled a series of meetings across Mississippi. The meetings will be held at various locations, including the following: District 1, Research & Verona, Ms.; District 2, Batesville, Ms.; District 3, Park, Holla, p.m.; District 4, Courthouse, March 31, p.m.; District 5, Park, McC, p.m.; District 6, City Center, a.m.

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Jesse Drake and Ronnie Johnson won first place in the annual Saturday Reservoir at Some 28 catch a total 85.95 pounds in the winning thin rogues muddy water. Draine and

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The MVP boys side of Bay Hills won top honors in the annual Rock Rel. The girls events were won by Rutherford chelle H. Christian. The girls events were won by

Basket tourn

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Pass I golf

Pass Christi Golf Assn. is holding a points winner. First: Mar. 10, Doris Le. April; fourth: Peggy Jon. Heitkamp. The nine-hole was Claire L.

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BAYS girls score big in Great Day of Soccer

The U-14 and U-12 BAYS girls teams made quite an impression at the recent Great Day of Soccer held in Gulfport. In the tournament, an all-girls competition, the U-14 Bay Brats took second place overall, losing to Mandeville 1-0 in the finals.

The U-12 Bay Breakers earned second place losing in a

shoot-out to Slidell, and the U-12 Bay Bruisers defeated Carrollton in the consolation game to earn third place. No goals were allowed by either U-12 team throughout the tournament.

In the skills competition, which included throw-ins, kicking for distance and accuracy, speed, dribble, juggling and

shooting, the U-14 Bay Brats claimed first place in the overall team competition.

Individual places were earned by Emilee Scianna (9th), Julie Rebeul (7th), Ellen Ladner (5th), Emily Meyers (2nd) and Mikki Kenny (1st).

Placing for the U-12 girls were Aren Lasseigne (4th) and Rachel Cranford (2nd). The

skills competition also included boys and younger age groups.

Representing BAYS in those areas were Kace Mitchell (U-12 Boys, 8th), Evan Cranford (U-8 Boys, 7th), and Hilary Thomas (U-6 Girls, 4th).

BAYS accepting nominations

The Board of Directors of Bay Area Youth Soccer will be accepting nominations from any active member of the organization for openings on the board for the coming year.

Nominations must be submitted in writing with the signature of five active members as well as the person running for office.

These nominations can be submitted to any current board member and must be turned in by May 18.

Any questions concerning the nomination process can be directed to a member of the board.

MDWFP public meetings

The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks has scheduled public meetings across Mississippi to give sportsmen an opportunity to have input into wildlife management area regulations, hunting seasons and commercial fishing regulations.

Meetings will be conducted at the following locations and times:

District 1: North Mississippi Research & Extension Center, Verona, March 30 at 7 p.m.

District 2: District 2 Office, Batesville, March 19, 7 p.m.

District 3: Leory Percy State Park, Hollandale, March 20, 7 p.m.

District 4: Jasper County Courthouse, Bay Springs, March 31, 7 p.m.

District 5: Percy Quin State Park, McComb, March 24, 7 p.m.

District 6: Latimer Community Center, Latimer, April 4, 9 a.m.



Sailing team places

The St. Stanislaus sailing team placed second in the Mallory Cup Regatta Feb. 28 at the Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans. The team managed their Vanguard 420's throughout the 15 knot gusts on Lake Pontchartrain to capture the title. "The Mallory was the qualifier for the high school nationals," said sophomore skipper David Taylor. "Our next race is the Baker Cup in New Orleans, qualifying for national team racing." Team members include, from left, Richard Mestayer, son of Mrs. Marilyn Mestayer of Bay St. Louis; Ben Puckett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Puckett Sr. of Pass Christian; David Taylor, son of Mrs. Judy Taylor of Pass Christian, and B. J. Keel, son of Dr. and Mrs. Bert Keel of Pass Christian.

South Mississippi team wins bass tournament

Jesse Draime of Long Beach and Ronnie Ferrell of Waveland won first place at the Bass Champions Team Trail tournament Saturday on Rose Barnett Reservoir at Tommy's Landing. Some 28 teams competed to catch a total of 38 fish weighing 85.95 pounds. Six teams finished in the money, and most of the winning fish came off rattin' rogues and lizards in muddy water conditions.

Draime and Ferrell made the

five-fish tournament limit, which weighed 12.25 pounds and won a check for \$1,000. Second place went to Jude Tisdale and George Moore, both from Petal, who caught four fish weighing 11.6 pounds winning \$475.

Third place went to Kenny Churchill of Jackson and Trey Hammock of Mendenhall who caught four fish weighing 10.90 pounds winning \$200. Hammock also caught the big fish of the tournament, which weighed 4.80 pounds.

Fourth place went to Albert Dobson and Rodney Phelps, both of Gulfport, who caught a five-fish limit weighing 9.10 pounds winning \$175. Fifth place went to Danny Carter of Lumberton and Dudley Malone of Petal, who caught four fish weighing 8.70 pounds winning \$140.

Rounding out the money winners were sixth place team John Lambeth of Gulfport and Keith King of Ocean Springs. Their three fish weighed 6.35 pounds and won them \$70.

Fish pond management clinic

A fish pond management clinic will be conducted March 24, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Triple Son's Farm on Hwy. 603 N. How to fertilize, stock and care for a pond will be discussed by biologist Ronnie Thomas, David Peacock and Kelvin Burge.

For information, call 255-3225.

MVPs at annual Rock Relays

The MVP for field events on the boys side was Wes Griffith of Bay High while Ronald Brown of Bay High took home top honors in the track events at the annual Rock Relays held recently at St. Stanislaus.

The girls MVP for the field events was a tie between Jill Rutherford of OLA and Rachelle Haynes of Pass Christian.

The girls MVP for the track events was Leslie Esher.

Basketball tournament

Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church & Unity will be holding a basketball tournament March 20-22 at the VCC Gym on Old Spanish Trail.


Dinners and other refreshments will be sold.

Pass Isles golf

Pass Christian Isles Ladies Golf Assn. announces Feb. 10 points winners:

First: Mary Jo Dellagatti, second, Doris Lackie; third, C. Ann April; fourth, Susie M. Heitkamp.

The nine-hole group winner was Claire Menard.



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USM program for youth

Applications for the 1998 Summer Program for Academically Talented Youth will be accepted until April 30 by the Center for Gifted Studies at the University of Southern Mississippi.

The residential program, scheduled July 5-24, is designed for students in grades 7-10 who qualify based on results of the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT).

A variety of intensive, fast-paced courses will be offered—including pre-calculus mathematics, statistics and probability, biology, physics, human anatomy and physiology, marine biology, ecology, psychology, geography, creative writing and Southern writers and literature.

Fees for the three-week program are \$995 and include tuition, books, room and board, recreational activities and limited accident insurance.

For information, contact the Center for Gifted Studies, Uni-

versity of Southern Mississippi, Box 8207, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-8207, or call (601) 266-5236.

Carey scholars recognized

William Carey College has recognized a number of students for the Winter Term.

President's list scholars have a perfect 4.0 grade-point average for nine or more hours of academic work.

Dean's list scholars must have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

Area students earning recognition include Teri Ladner of Bay St. Louis, president's list; Clinton Coleman of Diamondhead, president's list; Mayra Santiago of Diamondhead, dean's list; and William Carri-ge of Kiln, dean's list.

PRCC nursing student cited

A Pearl River Community College nursing student has been presented the Good Samaritan Award from the Poplarville Volunteer Fire Department for her heroic efforts at the scene of a recent fatal

auto mishap.

Karen Adams of Poplarville was presented the award by PVFD Chief Benji Wells and firefighter-EMT Danny Guillot after Adams administered CPR to Jimmy Lou Varnado, who

died in an accident on Hwy. 26. Adams was traveling from her home to the Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg to a class when she happened upon the mishap involving two Mobile, Ala., men in a pickup truck and a Poplarville woman, Jimmy Lou Varnado.

Reports indicate the men crossed the middle line and struck Varnado's vehicle, fatally injuring her. Adams administered CPR to the victim until rescue workers from the PVFD arrived on the scene.

"You generally don't see people willing to help like this," said Wells. "Many people just don't stop. But Karen was hoping she could save this lady's life. Maybe this will be a signal to people to become more involved."

Wells and Guillot presented the award to Adams Feb. 11.

Future architecture majors invited to MSU program

High school students contemplating careers in architecture or related disciplines are encouraged to attend a special Mississippi State University summer program.

Open to persons 15 and older, the School of Architecture's annual Design Discovery program will be held June 19-24. The application deadline is May 30.

Design Discovery's goal is to simulate the information, skill and intensity required for an architectural education. After the week-long experience, "parti-

cipants should be able to make an informed career decision about architecture and its related disciplines," said program coordinator Shannon Criss.

Design Discovery 1998 will coincide with the university's June 18 and 19 and 27-28 orientation sessions for new and transfer students. Incoming architecture majors who plan to attend the 1998 fall semester may register at these times.

For application forms or information, write to Shannon Criss in care of Design Discovery, School of Architecture, Drawer AQ, Mississippi State, MS 39762-5541, or call (601) 325-2202.

Head Start recruiting

Mississippi Action for Progress, Inc. (MAP) a non-profit, private child care organization dedicated to improving the lives of children and their families in Mississippi, announce their recruitment drive for the 1998-99 school year.

All children who will be three or four years old on or before Sept. 1, 1998 are eligible and encouraged to apply regardless of race, creed, color or national origin or disabling condition.

Interested parents should take a copy of the following information to the center listed below: child's certified birth certificate, proof of family income (W-2, check stub, tax return, agency verification statement, etc.), medical card and last medical screening (if applicable) and child's immunization records.

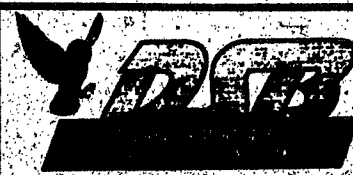
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Early application increases the chances of child attending Head Start in September.

Interested parents should call 467-3285 for information.

Richardson honored

Pam Richardson, a member of the North Bay Elementary faculty and staff is the recipient of the 1998 Weyerhaeuser Recycling Award. Her application was selected as one of 10 outstanding recycling programs in Mississippi. North Bay will receive \$1,000 to purchase materials which will be used to process food waste into high quality garden compost. The compost will be used to fertilize flower and vegetable gardens already established at North Bay. Produce from the gardens will be sold to the public through a proposed student-centered farmer's market. Eventually, students will be able to sell the worms and compost to the public.



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84 Furniture

BEAUTIFULLY CARVED MAHOGANY Chippendale furniture; Settee, \$595; matching chair, \$250; Desk, \$995; Chocolate cabinet, \$250; Curio, China and Book Cabinet, \$500 up; Corner chair, \$350; Other furniture in Mahogany, Antique gate leg, drop leaf table, expands to 80", \$305; Set of 4 Shield back dining chairs, \$405; Buffet, \$225; Set Marble top occasional tables, \$225 each; Lots of other furniture in Honey Blonde Oak, Pine, Walnut, Maple, Large, Gold framed beveled mirror 40"x48", \$295; Tiffany style Dragon Fly lamp, \$295 up; 1-Cart prints, \$95 framed. Patti's Warehouse of Good Furniture and Antiques, 134 Sycamore St., Daily 9-5. Dealers and credit cards welcome. 467-8357.

HOTEL DRESSERS, MIRRORS, nightstands, lamps, spreads, coffee tables, and tables, L.V.s. 467-9727

85 Building Materials

CERAMIC TILE: Interconcrete, Summitville, DAL, KPT, Laufen, 500,000 sq. ft. in stock. Attention: Builders, Floormen, special prices, 88¢ sq. ft. to \$1.80 sq. ft. 1-800-233-6702. FLOOR STORE, Sidel, 1725 Gause Blvd. off I-10, next to Smith & Jones, Bldg. 10.

METAL ROOFING/SIDING - 6 colors galv. to 24ft. length, 36" wide-28 ga. galv, 99¢ ft. Colors, \$1.19 ft. V-crimp & corrug. 84¢ ft. Ridge cap, rake & corner, punis \$1.00 ft. Roofing/Siding from \$14.90 sq. Warehouse Sales, Sidel, LA Exit 263 I-10, 800-842-6646.

93 Yard Sale

3 FAMILY YARD SALE: 544 De Montiluz St., Bay St. Louis, Saturday, March 21, 9a.m.-2p.m.

509 JEFF DAVIS, SATURDAY A.M. Clothes, misc. housewares. 467-6024.

ATTIC-SALE: SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 805 St. Joseph St., Waveland, 9am-5pm. Lots of good stuff.

DEADLINES FOR YARD, GARAGE sales advertisements appearing in SUNDAY'S Editions of THE SEA COAST ECHO IS NOON on Friday's.

EVERYDAY IS SALE DAY AT YOUR Bay St. Louis Goodwill Store, Bay Mall Shopping Center, Dunbar & Highway 90. Mon. thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 467-7277.

FOUR FAMILY YARD SALE: Kitchen accessories, baby items, clothes, furniture, etc. 8am-12pm, on McLaurin St. next to Cinema 4.

GI G'S LEE MARKET: 1/2 mile off I-10, Exit 20 Km. Delisle Road. OPEN EVERY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. Many old dealers back this week. For table reservations all (601)255-4143. Will take consignments.

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE: Sat., March 21, 8am. Household items, furniture, clothing, VCR, chain saw, Nikon camera, ice chest, compact refrigerator, records, lawn mower, 301 Main St., Bay St. Louis. NO EARLY BIRDS.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFTSTORE, 307-D Coleman Ave., Waveland, 10-3, Tues.-Thurs.-Fri., 10-12 Saturday. Baby, mens, womens clothes, housewares, & bric-a-brac.

TOOLS GALORE. CLEAN OUT STORAGE shed. Absolutely no junk. Hand tools, 2 tire rigs, gas pressure washer, 3 months old, micrometers, portaband, etc. Saturday only, 3/21/98 at 6034 Covington St., Waveland, 1 block from Bayville Park Club House.

YARD SALE: DAV HOME, 303 Union St., off N. Main Ave., 8am-10am, each Saturday. Every week new & old items. Nothing over 50¢ except furniture. Donations accepted. 467-3780.

YARD SALE: MARCH 21, 8:00am, Rock of the Bay Church, 1804 Nicholson Ave., Waveland.

96 Wanted To Buy

1. SET OF TWIN BEDS & LAWN MOWER. 467-6116.

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, TOOLS, dolls, furniture. One piece or house full. Call 467-2628 days.

DON'T FEEL LIKE HAVING a yard sale? Call us. We buy one piece or house full. Furniture, antiques, tools, collectibles. 255-3533, leave message.

QUICK CASH FOR ALMOST ANYTHING before yard sale hassel, moving or cleaning out. We buy househoid, furniture, antique, tools, toys, bric-a-brac, etc. Place or house full. No answer leave message. 467-4957.

WE BUY USED FURNITURE. Call us at 467-7312. No answer, please leave message. Trader Jim's.

WE BUY (OLD) WATCHES; wrist, & pocket, ring, gold, estate pieces & cash. Bayou Jewelers. 468-0425.

126 Campers/Motorhomes

LIKE NEW 30' PARTY BARGE, one owner, \$12,500. 468-2505.

BAVOU JEWELERS & Watch Repair 468-0425

128 Boats & Motors

16' SPORT CRAFT WITH 100 Horse Johnson, \$1,200. 467-7418.

1991 50HP JOHNSON MOTOR & CONTROLS, \$1,500; 15' Tri-Hull, Johnson 75HP motor, new parts. Boat motor-paint kit, inc., \$1,700. 601-795-8397.

20 FT. STRATFORD CENTER CONSOLE, 150 Yamaha, 9.9 kicker, motor, lamin, depth-finder, radio, outboard & downrigger, asking \$9,400. 794-6552.

136 Automobiles

1995 CUTLESS CONVERTIBLE: Fully loaded, 23,700 miles, dark green w/ tan top, tan leather interior, sport wheels, factory CD/cassette, auto climate control, \$18,500. 468-9834, please leave message.

AUTO INSURANCE WITH MONTHLY PAYMENTS as low as \$24. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency, 467-4607 or 467-1152.

B & M AUTO SALES \$0 DOWN SPECIAL '95 Chrysler Cirrus \$199.41 '95 Toyota P/U \$154.28 '94 Grand Am \$128.97 '95 Mazda B2300 P/U \$155.85 '94 Saturn \$148.71 BANKRUPT, BAD CREDIT All you need is a good job ALL APPLICATIONS APPROVED 1-800-214-5193

SEIZED CARS FROM \$175. Porsches, Cadillacs, Chevys, BMW's, Corvettes. Also Jeeps, AWD's. Your area. Toll free 1-800-218-9000 Ext. A-3930 for current listings.

138 Trucks, Vans

1988 FORD BRONCO 4x4, super clean, \$5,500. Call 255-3778/after 5:30 weekdays/anytime on weekends for more info.

'93 EAGLE SUMMIT DL MINI VAN, AM/FM, auto, air, \$5,000. 467-0384.

146 Rooms For Rent

PRIVATE ROOM, entrance, bath, 255-9246.

147 Apt. For Rent

DOWNTOWN BAY ST. LOUIS upstairs 1 bedroom efficiency apartment. All electric, central heat/air. References required, pet-free environment. \$300/month, \$300/deposit. 467-0924.

GULF GROVE APARTMENTS - 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms. \$100 deposit, ask about 2 bedroom special. Corner of Hwy. 90 & Waveland Ave. Waveland. 467-3122.

Unique 2 bedroom floor plan, pool, tennis court. No utility deposit for qualifying residents. Flexible leases for transfers, appointments available after hours and weekends. \$470 month. Oak Park Apartments 467-6882.

SIGNATURE LAKE APARTMENTS. One bedroom, starting at \$360; Two bedroom starting at \$395; Three bedroom at \$495. Section 8 welcome. Call about our move in special. 452-9901.

SUN SUITES EXTENDED STAY HOTEL Fully equipped kitchen/bath, living area, laundryroom, queen size beds, cable. No lease. Starting at \$149.00 wkly. 468-5251.

148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2 BEDROOM MOBILE HOME FOR RENT in Kln, \$350 per month. 467-5586.

2 BEDROOM TRAILER FOR RENT: Kln area. 255-5529.

2BR/2BA, OPEN LIVING ROOM & kitchen, cathedral ceilings, 12x16 storage building, 1 mile from casino, \$450/month. 504-646-2774.

TRAILER FOR RENT: READY IN 2 weeks. 2 bedroom, quiet area, Call 467-0049.

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

2 WATERFRONT LOTS CLEARED, 1 Br/1 BA, 12x45 Mobile Home on pilings. Bay St. Louis area. \$20,000. 601-795-9397.

\$379 MONTHLY 25x80, 5BR/2BA, 2,000-SQ.FT. \$49,250. \$5,400 down, 7.99%, 30 years. Limited factory direct offer (optional a/c skirting available). AAA Homes, 1-800-256-9958.

\$500 DOWN! BELCET MODEL available, \$1,000 DOWN! Belcet model divides. AAA Homes, 1-800-256-9958.

AAA HOMES QUICK CREDIT HOT LINE: Need a home? Slow Credit? No Credit? Bankrupt? Repot? For easy quick credit app at no cost call 1-800-962-9728.

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

BEEN TURNED DOWN FOR FINANCING on a mobile home? Help is possible. Call Mr. Price 504-649-7600 or 1-800-258-9958.

DIVORCE FORCED REPO! Top of the line triple wide, must go. Fully equipped, low down. Call 831-6020.

FOR SALE! 1/2 ACRE LOTS WITH 2-3 or 4 bedroom homes. All financing arranged! Call 888-208-3600.

HURRY IN NOW!!! Good selection still left, 6 double wides with only \$999.00 down. Call 888-208-3600.

INSURANCE FOR YOUR MOBILE HOME: Best Prices on the Coast. Easy monthly payments. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency, 467-4607 or 467-1152.

NEW DISCONTINUED MODEL, 16x80 Fleetwood. Greatly reduced. Do not miss this one! Call Neil collect. 228-831-8088.

NEW PROGRAM... MOBILE HOME payments based on your income! Call 888-208-3600.

PROTOTYPE - DIVORCE LEFT ME AN ORPHAN... One of a kind double wide. Must be sold. Drastically reduced and available with only \$999.00 down. Call 831-6020.

SINGLE SECTION HOMES STARTING at \$187 per month. Model section homes starting at \$227 per month. Call 888-208-3600.

"THE ENTERTAINER" The first single 16x78 3+2 dream home featuring a built Magnavox 27" TV with VCR with Matrix surround sound, Magnavox home security system and much more!! Call 888-208-3600.

"THE FAMILY DREAM HOME" 28x76 4+2, the largest of our dream homes featuring a see thru fireplace, top quality GE Appliances packages and Magnovox home security system. Call 888-208-3600.

"THE HOME THEATER" The latest offset 28x84 3+2 dream home featuring a 32" Magnavox TV, with stereo surround sound system with Hi-Fi VCR and 7 disk CD player, fireplace, Magnavox home security system and much, much, more. Call 888-208-3600.

"THE SUNRISE" The first and original 28x52 3+2 dream home featuring a sunny breakfast nook and top quality GE Appliances packages. Call 888-208-3600.

150 Unfurn. Houses For Rent

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH BRICK HOME with fireplace, \$500/month. 467-5912.

3 BR/1 BA, FRONT PORCH, private, \$400/mo, lease & dep. 467-7872.

BAYSIDE PARK UNFURNISHED, 2 BR, lg. screened-in back patio and front porch, fenced-in yard, lg. storage area. Nice neighborhood. \$375/mo, \$300/dep. 255-2876.

HOUSE FOR RENT: new 3BR, 2BA brick dwelling. Central air/heat, carpet, dishwasher, stove & refrig., large yard and located 1 block to beach. Available 4/1/98. 127 St. Charles St., BSL, \$695.00 with \$300 deposit and references. 228-467-5682 or 228-467-4613.

LOOKING FOR A RENTAL? CALL US! Ashman Mollere Realty Incorporated. 467-5454.

NEW 2 BR/1 BA home, \$500/mo. Call Mike Pemickler, 467-7005.

OLDE TOWN BSL: 2 BR/1 BA duplex; 1 block to beach, patio, a/c heat, hook-ups, quiet neighborhood, off-street parking. Pet-free/smoke-free environment, \$425/mo, lease & deposit 467-1380.

UNFURNISHED APT. FOR RENT: One bedroom, has stove, ref.; located 208 Carroll Ave., Apt. 1, BSL, \$290 + \$200 deposit. 228-467-5682 or 228-467-4613.

151 Furn. Houses For Rent

WAVELAND 2BR/1BA, FURNISHED, on beach, \$600/month, \$600/deposit. 504-737-8476.

156 Lots/Acreage

*** CLERMONT HARBOR, THE LAKES B/D, 10 MINUTES from Walmart Co. & U.S. 90 shopping; beautiful wooded 3+ acre lake-side lots near beach, no trailers, \$12,000. Firsthouse under construction. Colly Road off N. Railroad Ave. between Clermont & Lakeshore rail crossings. 468-0688.

LARGE LOT, 232'x127', on Amoka Drive, Diamondhead, Appraised at \$34,000. Anxious to sell, make offer. 467-6159.

LOT FOR SALE IN IDLEWOOD Subdiv. lot, 54'x111'x160'x130', \$18,000. 467-6207, leave message.

TWO WATERFRONT LOTS MINUTES from Jordan River w/12'x44' mobile home, large cabana, pump house, pier, fenced, central sewer, boat launch, \$29,500 owner financing at 9% for 15 years with \$4,500 down. Payments approx. \$254/mo. plus taxes, insurance, sewer & garbage. 463-0043, 467-3955.

156 Lots/Acreage

8 TO 16 ACRE TRACTS, 12 MILES East of Playans on paved road. No mobile homes. \$25,906, \$1,000/down, \$300/mo. 467-8348.

158 Commercial Property

CHOCTAW VILLAGE OFFICE & RETAIL space available. Talk to Gary T. Gilmore. 255-4398.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING: \$350/month, \$200/deposit. Approx. 1,000 sq. ft. Water is included. 100 "D" Blaise Ave., B.S.L. 463-0043 or 467-3935.

159 Houses For Sale

13% RETURN ON INVESTMENT OF \$60,000. Rented two story duplex in Waveland, owner has moved and wants out. Consider R.V. in trade. Callileen at 255-5185, leave message.

3BR/2 BA, fireplace, ceiling fans throughout, fully furnished, workshop, separate office, 25x16 (new), New vinyl siding, sets on 3 lots. 7597 Hancock Dr. Bayville Park; \$60,000. 468-9026.

BAY ST. LOUIS HOUSE ON WATER - 6 years old, 35ft. pier, 2BR, 2 1/2 BA, 2,800ft., paved parking, underground utilities. \$74,500. 468-3164.

BEAUTIFUL NEW WATERFRONT home in Jordan River Shores, 3BR/3BA, 2400 SQ.FT. of living. Call for appointment, 255-9212. Sea at 6079 Comanche St. Kln. \$185,000.

CLEAN & CUTE CAMP ON DEEP water canal w/boat dock, \$34,500. 468-2505.

RAMONEDA STREET: CUSTOM BUILT contemporary 3 BR, 3 BA home w/ gourmet kitchen, located off the beach on unique lot w/large oak, vaulted ceiling, whirlpool, screened porch, patios, 2-car garage, alarm system, sprinkler system and more. OWNER-BROKER, 228-467-2520.

DIAMONDHEAD: 2BR/2BA, LARGE corner lot, new paint, new roof, fenced back yard. (228)255-1416 or (228)435-3508.

FOR SALE BY OWNER: NEW 3BR/2BA custom built home on corner lot in Diamondhead w/many extras, 1750 SF living area, 2420 under beam. OPEN HOUSE: Sat. & Sun. 1pm-5pm, 6464 Kalipokona Way. 601-798-2680.

GOVT FORECLOSED homes from penitens on 1. Delinquent tax, Repo's, REO's. Your area, Toll Free 1-800-218-9000 Ext. H 3930 for current listings.

RENT TO OWN: 214 FOURTH ST., Waveland, \$2,000 down, notes \$500 including taxes & insurance, 10% interest. Gold Coast Realty, 467-4476.

Public Notice

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Adult education classes offered at PRCC

The Pearl River Community College Workforce Development Center's Adult Education Division is offering adult education classes at six locations across PRCC's six-county supporting district, says Dr. Sharon Bellow, program administrator.

University of Alabama Kickoff/Spring meeting

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter of the University of Alabama National Alumni Association invites all alumni, fans and friends to a Kickoff/Annual Spring Meeting Friday, March 27, 6-8 p.m. at the Travelodge Gulf Beach (Sapphire's), 2428 Beach Boulevard, Biloxi. Cost is \$10 per person. Boiled shrimp are on the menu, and a

cash bar is available. Guest speaker will be Ed Conyers, humorist and former referee for Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant.

Individuals are asked to RSVP by March 20. For information, call Toni Smith, 831-2390, or Jennifer Adkerson, 396-3235.

• Teaching Adults to read (literacy classes).
• Assessing the basic skill levels of individuals.
• Providing self-paced, self-directed curriculum with one-on-one opportunities.
• Assisting individuals with improving basic skills for better job opportunities.
• Assessing the level of employability as measured by the WorkKeys Assessments.
• Providing basic computer literacy classes.
• Providing a self-paced, self-directed computer training curriculum.
• Providing pre-employment job training.

Classes are offered in: Hattiesburg — PRCC Forrest County Center, Building 1. Day classes: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Night classes: Tuesday and Thursday, 4-8 p.m.

Poplarville — PRCC's main campus, Shivers' Gymnasium. Day classes: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-noon. Night classes: Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Public Notice

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CECIL L. WILLIAMS, DECEASED
NO. 98-0148
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 11th day of March, 1998, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Cecil L. Williams, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and recording according to law within ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

The 11th day of March, 1998.
Barbara A. Williams, Executrix
of Estate of Cecil L. Williams, Deceased

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ROBERT CARNEY MILLER, DECEASED
ANN AVERY MILLER, EXECUTRIX
CAUSE NO. 98-0157

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 4th day of March, 1998, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Robert Carney Miller, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and recording according to law within ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

The 4th day of March, 1998.
ANN AVERY MILLER
Executrix
of Estate of Robert Carney Miller, Deceased

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
WILLIAM A. BURNETT, PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
BURNETT P. BURNETT, DEFENDANT
CAUSE NO. 98-0141

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: BURNETT P. BURNETT
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by William A. Burnett, Plaintiff, seeking Compensation for Services.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, at 125 N. Main Street, P.O. Box 555, Bay St. Louis, MS 39020.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 12TH DAY OF MARCH, 1998, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU IN THIS SUIT. YOU MAY REQUEST RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of first publication of this notice.

Issued under my hand and the seal of this Court, this 10th day of March, 1998.
(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
BY: Larnell Scarborough
Deputy Clerk
312-219-2298

BEST PAWN

CHINA TOWN JEWELRY

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RITA M. ROBINSON, DECEASED
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF
RITA M. ROBINSON
CAUSE NO. 98-0157

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Rita M. Robinson, deceased, Probate No. 98-0157, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 12th day of March, 1998, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of said Court as required by law within ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this notice. Failure to do so will forever bar such claims.

WITNESS my signature, this 12th day of March, 1998.
BARBARA A. GIBBONS, Executrix

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAVELAND ON THE 30th DAY OF MARCH, 1998, AT THE CITY OF WAVELAND BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL ANNEX, 307 COLEMAN AVENUE, WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI, AT 5:30 P.M. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

Mr. A.J. Schmitt III request a special use variance to operate a commercial plant nursery to ask water plants, ponds, other aquatic animals, landscaping, birds and any related miscellaneous items on a parcel of land located near the intersection of Laura Street and Highway 90, off Road.

Legal description: Part of NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 33, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, City of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES MAY ATTEND AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD. For additional information, please call 498-2549, between hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Keith Mitchell
Zoning Official
3-15; 3-19; 3-22-98

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF the authority vested in me as Substituted Trustee in the deed of trust given to HANCOCK BANK, Beneficiary, John A. Scarle, Jr., Trustee, by MARK G. CHAMAS, dated December 21, 1978, and recorded in Book 215 at Page 345 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and WHEREAS said deed of trust has been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire indebtedness secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust, and HANCOCK BANK, the holder of the note and deed of trust, having requested the undersigned substituted trustee to do so, I will on March 27, 1998, within legal hours at the main front door of Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to-wit:

Lot 10, 11 and 12, Block 20, CLEMONT HARBOR, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat thereof on file in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title in and to the above property as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. SIGNED, POSTED AND PUBLISHED this 19th day of March, 1998.

ERNEST G. MARTIN, JR.,
Substituted Trustee
An Appointment of Substituted Trustee, dated February 25, 1998, is filed for record in Book 555 at Page 810 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
3-5; 3-12; 3-19; 3-26-98

Culinary Arts Academy accepting applications

The University of Southern Mississippi Culinary Arts Academy on the Gulf Coast campus is accepting applications for fall classes.

"We expect to double our number of applicants for the upcoming year," said Katherine

Lochridge, director. The academy offers two nine-month programs for obtaining a certificate or a diploma. Interested applicants may obtain more information by calling (228) 867-8783.

Learn about Mississippi writers from superhighway

From Faulkner to Welty, Percy to Williams, Mississippi writers can now claim a new address: The World Wide Web. The University of Mississippi Department of English has created the Mississippi Writers Page as part of their growing Internet offering.

"It's the most comprehensive listing of Mississippi writers ever compiled, and its intention is to showcase our state's remarkable rich literary culture," said Dr. Daniel E. Williams, chair of the Ole Miss Department of English.

Intended as an accurate and easy-to-use resource on Mississippi writers, the site includes information about recently published books by and about Mississippi writers, literary news and events, information about Mississippi publishers and publications, and a Mississippi writers' "timeline."

"It's a tremendous project that my colleagues and I are very proud of," said Williams. "We're grateful for all the effort of the University of Mississippi student here who put it all together."

Also in the works is a section on Mississippi's literary landmarks, a wide-ranging geography that includes both real landmarks — such as the Natchez Trace — as well as fictional realms — including the famous Yoknapatawpha County, whose "sole owner and proprietor" is, of course, William Faulkner.

Faulkner is one of the many writers who can be found represented in the "writer listings," the heart of the web site. The

listings consist of individual pages on single authors and include a biographical and critical article on the author, a list of the author's publications and links to related web sites. In the event a writer's work cannot be found in a local bookstore, each listing includes links so individuals can buy books over the Internet.

The site, which includes writers in all four genres — drama, fiction, nonfiction and poetry — can be visited via this address: <http://www.olemiss.edu/dept/english/ms-writers/>

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School of Engineering plans alumni weekend

The University of Mississippi School of Engineering will host its annual Alumni Weekend March 26-28 on the Oxford campus.

Highlights of the weekend include the Saturday meetings of the Alumni Chapter Board of Directors and the Woods Order. A luncheon at the Ramada Inn University follows, during which time the school will recognize an outstanding faculty member and honor the 1998 Engineer of Distinction.

The weekend begins Thursday with the semi-annual meeting of the Engineering Advisory Board. On Friday evening, Dean Allie Smith will host a reception to honor emeriti faculty in engineering.

"We hope this reception will give alumni an opportunity to mingle and visit with professors who have had an impact on their lives," said Pete Davis.

For information concerning the reunion, call Davis at 1-800-340-9542.

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April 3, Mike Ditka Legends

Celebrity Golf Classic & Concert (ticketed event) benefiting the Mississippi Chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation

April 11, Air Supply (ticketed event)

April 17, Oak Ridge Boys (ticketed event)

April 18, HBO Televised Boxing 10 p.m.

Prince Naseem Hamed vs. Kennedy McKinney

April 25, HBO Televised Boxing 9:15 p.m.

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All music shows in the main lobby are free of charge, unless otherwise indicated. Ticketed events are in the Magical Entertainment Center. For entertainment updates, call 1-800-5-MAGIC-5, ext. 4015.

GOLF

Ditka-Magic host charity golf tournaments

One of the largest charity events of its kind is once again hitting the Gulf Coast with entertainers, athletes and community sponsors, all for child-

ren who are battling a life-threatening illness.

The Mike Ditka Legends Celebrity Golf Classic benefiting the Mississippi Chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation will be held April 2 and 3 at The Bridges Golf Course at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis.

Teams will include one celebrity and four amateurs. Individual entry: \$500 and team of four entry: \$2,000.

The event includes a cocktail and pairings party that allows participants to mingle with sports legends and entertainers over cocktails and a celebrity auction on Thursday.

Friday is the tournament, awards party and celebrity concert, which will be a ticketed public event.

For information about the tournament, call tournament director and Make-A-Wish board member Ted Roberts at 1-800-5-MAGIC-4, ext. 4358.

Tournaments

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Bounty Hunters' Tournament on Thursdays

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Regis scheduled at Magic

Regis Philbin, an industry veteran and host of the popular morning talk show "Live with Regis & Kathie Lee," performs at Casino Magic Friday, March 27.

It is a well-known fact that many people attempt to get on the morning talk show just to see the dynamic duo. Not only can you see him at Casino Magic, but you can meet him, too.

Ten winners and their guests will receive priority seating for the concert and then get to meet Philbin backstage after the show. Casino Magic, in conjunction with WLOX television, will choose 10 winners to be guests at the broadcast of First News, while Philbin is interviewed on air. Philbin will sign autographs and have photographs taken with the couples.

Casino Magic will provide dinner prior to the show and a Casino Prize Pack, which will include prizes and coupons. Registration to meet Regis is at any Dees Chevrolet location in Biloxi, Ocean Springs or D'Iberville. Winners will be contacted by the station prior to March 27.

During the 35 years since he first stepped in front of the camera, he has enjoyed more successes with more talk shows than possibly any other individual on television, and his popularity has been growing all the while.

Early on, Philbin came up with the routine that would ultimately become his trademark: "host chat." His "host chat" experience includes "The Regis Philbin Show" in San Diego, "Philbin's People," in Los Angeles and "Regis Philbin's Saturday Night in St. Louis." He served as a sidekick on "The Joey Bishop Show" and also helmed "The Regis Philbin Show" on a national level.

Although Philbin is best known for his success in the talk-show arena, he has displayed the same talent and ingenuity in other areas of the industry. Philbin landed his first "real" industry job as a news and sports writer at KCOP-TV in Los Angeles by writing tongue-in-cheek reviews of the station's newscasts and tacking them up on walls around the station during his shift as a film-delivery man. Philbin has served as news reporter, feature reporter, substitute

anchor, sportscaster and much more.

In 1983, he created "The Morning Show" on WABC-TV in Manhattan. He was joined by Kathie Lee Gifford in June 1985. Together, they made the show the longtime and continuing number one morning program in the New York market. In 1996, Philbin was honored by TV Guide for his contribution to the New York television industry.

In September 1988, when "The Morning Show" debuted in national syndication, the title was changed to "Live with Regis & Kathie Lee." Now in its ninth syndication season, "Live's" ratings have climbed steadily upward.

The national show has matched its New York success by becoming a ratings powerhouse in markets across the country. Philbin has been Emmy-nominated six times for his co-hosting effort.

In addition to the "Live" phenomenon, Philbin has an acclaimed concert act with Gifford what has sold out every major venue where they've appeared. Plus, he has made frequent successful solo appearances as popular nightclub performer.

He has appeared in numerous network series, including "Mad About You," "Seinfeld," "Cosby Mysteries," and more.

A talented writer, Philbin has authored the best-selling book, "I'm Only One Man." The book includes anecdotes from the show and his personal life, as well as memoirs from this entertainment veteran.

Philbin takes the state at 9 p.m. in the casino's new entertainment center. He performs one show only with tickets selling for \$15, \$20 and \$25. Tickets may be purchased through TicketMaster or by calling the casino's gift shop at 1-800-5-MAGIC-5.

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Variety is the spice of this year's Fairhope Arts and Crafts Festival, and all of the talent has deep South roots. In addition to the wide variety of community vocal groups, festival goers will enjoy jazz performances, the sounds of the big band era, hilarious family comedy, magic and ventriloquism entertainment, and tae kwon do, just to name a few.

Three days packed full of entertainment sets the mood for the 46th annual Arts & Crafts Festival March 20-22, the first days of spring.

More than 175,000 people attended the festival last year in downtown Fairhope, Ala. Over 250 exhibitors from all over the nation will bring their best wares to the show. In addition to the art and entertainment, visitors can lap up a taste of some of the finest festival foods.

Traditional keepsakes will once again be available for purchase, such as the popular festival t-shirts, posters, cups, and for the second year, the annual commemorative festival collector pin will be sold.

Festival hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, and there is no admission. In addition, shuttle services will be provided by the Baldwin Rural Area Transportation System (BRATS) for \$1.

Free parking will be available at the Ecor Rouge Shopping Center, Baldwin Square Shopping Center, Plantation

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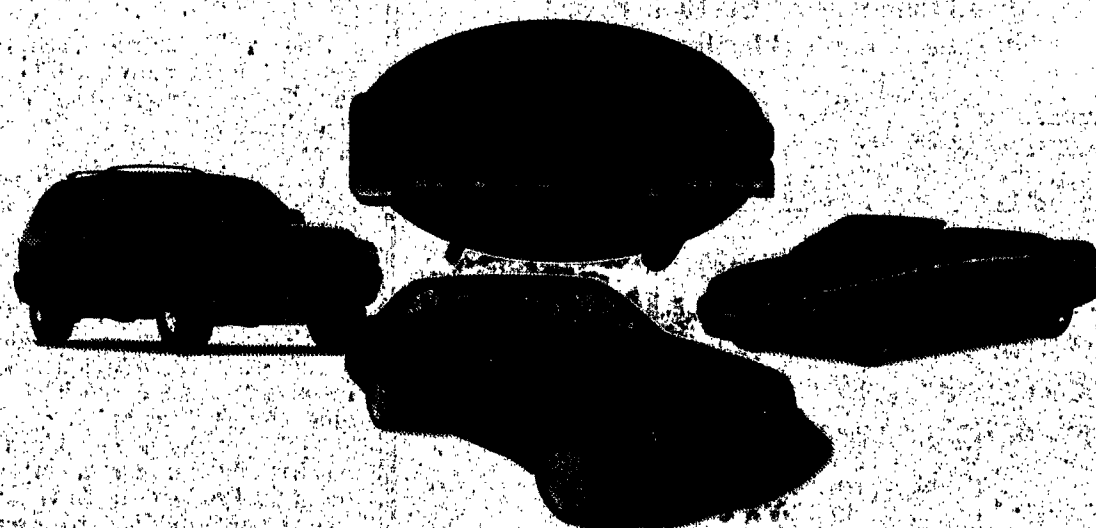
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